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TAX BATTLE ENDS WITH LARGE VOTE

Union Files Charges In Pt. Clinton Strike

Accuse Standard Products Of Unfair Labor Practices

PORT CLINTON, April 8—Charges of unfair labor practices were filed today by the UAW-CIO against the Standard Products Co. of this city charging the company with failure to negotiate a contract with the union, of refusal to abide by a NWLB decision handed down in 1944 and employing a strikebreaker as plant manager.

In its brief outlining its charges against the company, the union set forth its claim that the Standard Products Co. has failed for more than two years to negotiate a contract with the union and specifically accused the company of failure to comply with an order issued in November, 1944 by the War Labor Boadd directing the company to incorporate conditions covering wages and hours into its contract.

Hire Strike Breaker

The brief further charged that the company employed a known strikebreaker, Claude Coons, as plant manager and stated that Coons had organized a back-to-work movement at Saginaw, Mich. prior to coming to Port Clinton.

Charging that plant manager Coons immediately upon taking over his duties in the Port Clinton plant had announced "I will drive the UAW-CIO out of Port Clinton within six months," the brief charged that Coons had inaugerated a policy of refusing to discuss wages or other conditions of employment with union representatives.

Unbearable Conditions

Charging that the plant manager created such intolerable conditions that a strike ensued, the union set forth the action of the company in attempting to secure an injunction against the union's picketing which was re-

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Minimum Wage Bill Is Passed

WASHINGTON, April 8 (LPA) — Labor-supported legislation for a 65c minimum wage was almost completely demolished last week by a bloc of southern farm senators who first reduced the 65c to 60c and then, in the face of a threatened veto by President Truman, added an amendment raising farm prices. The 65c base was finally restored.

Sen. Pepper, author of the bill and leader of the floor fight for the legislation, said, "I consider the bill completely dead."

Alters Farm Parity

The admendment, battered into the measure by Sen. Russell (D., Ga.), altered the farm parity formula to incorporate the expense of farm labor including the farmer and his family as well as hired help.

A Republican-Southern Democratic coalition passed the rider by a vote of 43 to 31, despite warnings by Economic Stabilization Director Chester Bowles that it would increase food costs by more than $4,000,000,000 a year.

Awaits Final Vote

Awaiting final Senate vote before going to the House the bill, as it now stands, would increase the present minimum wage from 40c an hour for employes now covered by the Federal Wage-Hour law to 65c. The original Pepper legislation provided for an immediate hike to 65c and an eventual increase to 75c in four years.

Russell's parity proposal split party lines in a manner similar to other anti-labor decisions in recent weeks with 24 Republicans voting with 22 Democrats. The no vote was 25 Democrats, 12 Republicans and one Progressive. Pepper branded the wreckage of his legislation as a "worse bill than the present law."

U. S. Reports On Jobless

WASHINGTON, April 10 — (LPA)—Every couple of months another 2,000,000 jobless workers are on the unemployment compensation lists, it was revealed here last week, while 2,000,000 others either find jobs, retire, or exhaust their jobless insurance.

Summarizing the national employment picture in a talk before the Louisiana State Federation of Labor, Ewan Clague, Social Security Board director of employment security, pointed to the greatly varying state benefits as a danger to the national economy.

"Many workers are moving from the states where they held war jobs, and are filing claims for unemployment compensation in other states," he declared. "The method of handling interstate claims is basically sound, but the states have recognized that the system is not working too well, causing many workers to lose time in collecting their insurance benefits."

Figure Is Constant

About 2,000,000 workers a week file claims, wait for claims to become effective, or get the benefits due them. As their weekly payments cease — and they do in periods varying from a maximum of 14 to 26 weeks, depending on the state — other unemployed workers refill the lists, so that the 2,000,000 figure has remained practically constant for the last several months.

Veteran' claims add another 1,000,000 to the figure, according to Clague, which means that there are about 3,000,000 jobseekers in the nation who are existing on unemployment compensation, which in some states is as low as $15 weekly, maximum benefit.

Gov. Edge Stops N. J. Utility Strike

NEWARK, April 8 — (LPA) —A nine-day-old state law, opposed by all organized labor, was used yesterday by Republican Gov. Walter E. Edge to seize and operate nine gas plants owned by the Public Service Electric & Gas Co.

Seizure came exactly on the hour that 1200 workers, members of six indepedent unions, had set for a walkout.

plants and read the governor's proclamation to the workers and management. Union leaders announced that their members would continue at their jobs despite the fact that the state labor commission who under the new law will administer the properties for the state can maintain the status quo of wages and hours for as long as the seizure continues.

The unions originally asked for a 20% wage hike and decided on strike action when the company turned down their offer to accept a 15% increase and proposed instead a 12½% raise.

Congressman Calls Strike Ban "Slavery"

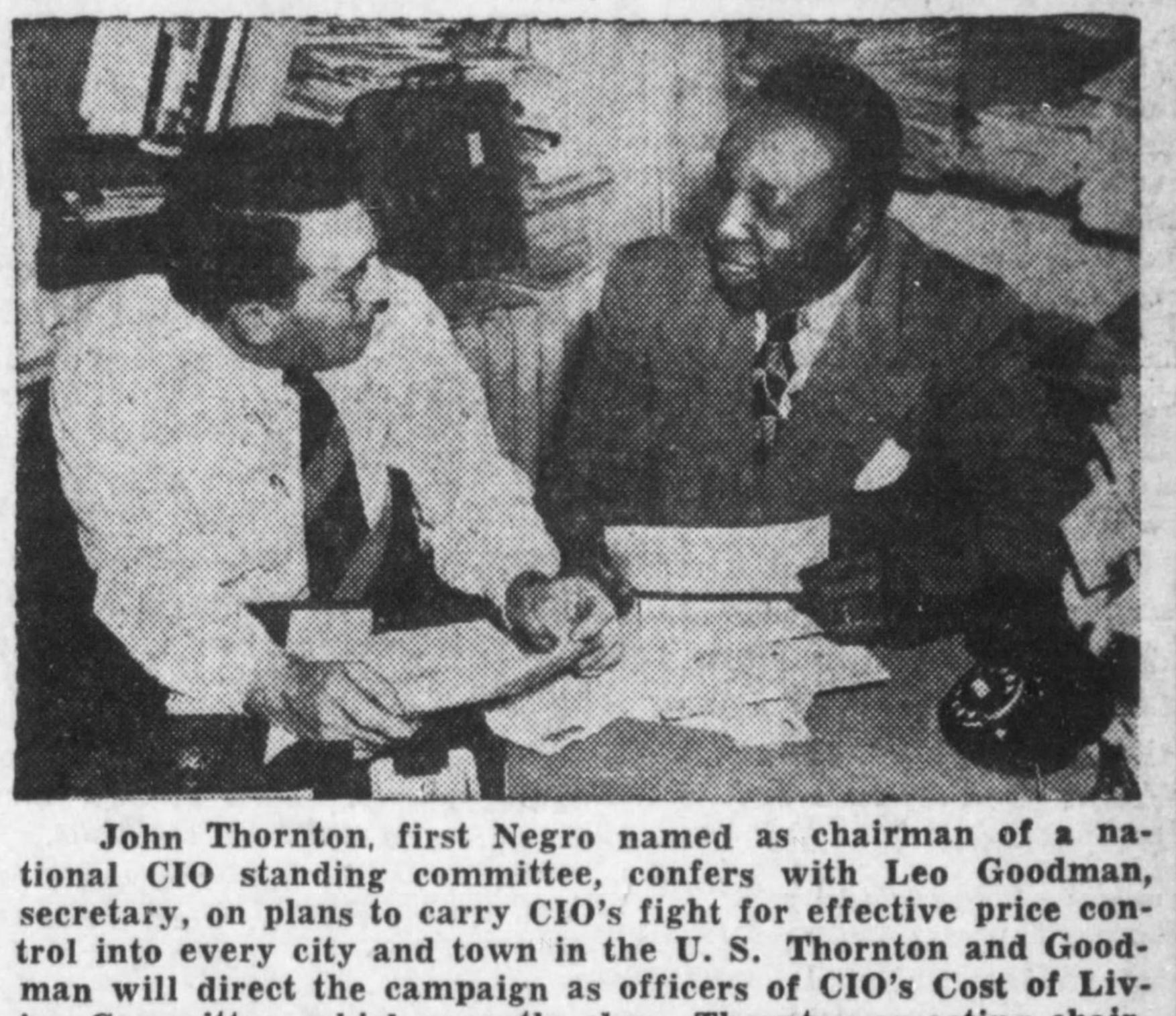
WASHINGTON, April 9 (LPA)—A blistering attack on a proposal by Representative Ed Gossett (D., Tex.) that the right to strike be suspended for a year was launched last week by Representative Frank Hook (D., Mich.) who asked, "Since when have we come to the point where we are going right into the very thing that Hitler, the Nazis and Fascists did in Europe?"

The right to strike, declared Hook is the only real economic weapon that the laboring man has for his protection. "If the right to strike is denied the laboring people of this nation," he told the House, "they are forced into involuntary servitude in violation of the principles laid down by the Constitution of the United States.

"In other words, it is nothing more nor less than denying to the working people of this Nation the right to raise their voices in behalf of themselves and their families in protest to substandard wages and unbearable working conditions." Hook asserted.

"When the voice of the laboring people of this Nation is stilled by edict of government, fascism will have been established supreme in this Nation, and the millions of lives and the sacrifices made by the people of this Nation in the past war will have been in vain. God forbid that fascism raise its ugly head in this Nation. I trust that no other Member of this House advocate that the right to strike be suspended for a year, or even a day."

Lead CIO Cost of Living Probe



John Thornton, first Negro named as chairman of a national CIO standing committee, confers with Leo Goodman, secretary, on plans to carry CIO's fight for effective price control into every city and town in the U. S. Thornton and Goodman will direct the campaign as officers of CIO's Cost of Living Committee, which recently chose Thornton as acting chairman. Mr. Thornton represents the United Steelworkers, and Mr. Goodman the United Retail, Wholesale & Dept. Store Employes

Labor Demands CPA Newsprint Rationing

Eastern Paper Face Publication Suspension

WASHINGTON, April 8 (LPA)—Restoration of government rationing and price control of newsprint, together with reinstatement of government control of paper for export was demanded here last week by editors of labor, fraternal and trade papers who are threatened with a suspension of publication because of drastically reduced newsprint deliveries.

A delegation of editors told Civilian Production Administrator that unless immediate relief were granted papers will have to drop their next issue. Earlier, publication of a dozen papers had been delayed a week to 10 days because of curtailed paper deliveries since Jan. 1.

Representing 50 papers and two printing firms, the delegation told Small that sufficient newsprint had been available while government regulations were in effect, and that papers in these fields had cut back in pages or issues. They suggested that CPA investigate to see if there is a black market in newsprint.

Resumption of government regulation and price control on paper for export was asked after printers reported buyers seeking paper for Latin America have offered from $130 to $200 per ton for paper which costs about $72 in New York. Other shops in New York City, outside the daily paper field, also were feeling the newsprint squeeze, the delegation told OPA.

Copper Strike Is Spreading

WASHINGTON, April 8. — (LPA) — Approximately 28,000 copper mining and smelting workers, about 25% of the total number employed in the industry, intensified their strike action throughout the country last week as federal conciliators and a fact-finding board in Denver attempted to end the walkout.

Two breaks in the employer front aided the strikers when Anaconda, employing 7000 workers in Montana, settled for an 18½% raise, and the Phelps Dodge Copper Products Corp. signed a new two-year contract giving the same increase to 2000 workers in the company's Los Angeles tube division, strike bound for three months.

OPA Grants Increases

,Even though many of the firms continued to flatly refuse the pay raises demanded by CIO and AFL unions, the OPA last week announced that it had given increases in ceiling prices for producers' sales of brass mill products averaging about 1½ cent per pound. 'The increases are necessary to assure full production of vitally needed brass mill products." OPA said.

Topping off the strikers' indignation was the annual report of the American Smelting & Refining Co. for 1945 which showed that the firms net income jumped from $8,627,072 to $11,468,678 last year.

Stimer Named By Office Workers

Percy Stimer was named president of Local 29 of the United Office and Professional Workers-CIO at the union's recent election it was announced early this week by Freda Borgelt, union financial secretary.

Others elected included Delbert DeMott, vice-president for the insurance guild and Dorothy Parrish, vice-president for the clerical division; Florence Ordway recording secretary and Nellie Moser, Marian Carrel and Edward Woodfill, trustees.

Co-Op Sells Planes

COLUMBUS, Ohio. (LPA)—Piper Cub airplanes may be purchased through a co-op near here, if you were thinking of buying a plane instead of a car or jeep. Manager Will Dietrich of the Lake Geagua Co. Farm Bureau Co-op Assn. will add your name to his backlog of orders, accumulated since his group became the only co-op with a frachise to sell planes. Dietrich hmself owns and operates a Piper Cub, and recommends them for farm-folk.

Price Relief?

NEW YORK (LPA)—That penny-a-pack-more you're going to pay for cigarettes, now that OPA has given tobacco firms "price relief," is going to "pay for a lot of advertising," according to Printers Ink, March 29.

OPA Given One Year Extension

Subsidy Payments To Be Ended By June 30, 1947

WASHINGTON, April 8 (LPA)—OPA was given a one-year lease on life by the House Banking and Currency Committee last week.

At the same time a heavy blow was struck at the nation's consumers by voting 15 to 6 to prevent OPA from requiring that retailers absorb increased costs of manufactured articles such as autos, refrigerators and radios even where profits are great enough to permit such absorption.

On autos alone the public may have to pay as much as 4½% more, according to OPA officials, and the total sales cost increase may amount to $300,000,000 more during the next year.

Eliminates Subsidies

The Congressional wrecking crew was on its way to a field day when the committee by a vote of 15 to 5 also approved an amendment which will gradually eliminate the government's $2,000,000,000 subsidy program which includes payments to hold food prices down. The amendment calls for the end of subsidy payments by June 30, 1947.

The consumer almost took another beating in an attempt by Rep. Wolcott (R. Mich.) to force OPA to raise price ceilings on low profit items even where the manufacturer is making generous overall profits. The proposal was defeated on a 11 to 11 tie.

Failing by only 13 to 9 in a move to give the price control program only nine months more of life, a coalition of reactionary

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Boy! Page Mr. Reuther

INDIANAPOLIS, April 8 — (LPA)—The United Auto Workers-CIO "did not receive the help they should have received from AFL unions during their long and costly strike with General Motors," according to an editorial statement in the April issue of the International Teamster, monthly publication of the Intl. Brotherhood Teamsters-AFL.

"We say," declared the editorial, "they should have received AFL help because they were fighting for the AFL as well as for themselves. The defeat of a strong union in the auto industry would have been a blow to organized labor as a whole. It would have thrown many AFL unions into immediate conflict with industry because industry would have reasoned that if a powerful union like the Auto-Workers could be defeated, all other unions could be defeated. It would have cost many AFL unions much money and effort to resist the attacks of employers on other crafts."

The editorial emphasized that "It would have been a far less costly strike to the employes of GM if labor had been united, instead of divided into hostile faction. Had that been the case, the treasuries of all AFL unions would have been opened to help the auto workers."

C.P.A.C. To Honor FDR

NEW YORK, April 8 (LPA)—Commerce Secretary Henry Wallace, Supreme Court Justice Hugo L. Black, and Sen. Robert Wagner (D. N. Y) will join with CIO President Philip Murray and other CIO officials in honoring the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt at a National Citizens Political Action Committee dinner in New York on April 12, first anniversary of FDR's death. Mrs. Roosevelt heads the list of honorary guests.

Dinner committee vice-chairmen, in addition to Murray, include Sidney Hillman, National Citizens PAC Honorary Chairman and CIO PAC chairman; Economic Stabilization Director Chester Bowles, and Labor Secretary Lewis B. Schwellenbach.

The 52 honorary guests include CIO Secretary-Treasurer James B. Carey, UE-CIO President Albert J. Fitzgerald, CIO Counsel Lee Pressman, Textile Workers Union President Emil Rieve, and UAW-CIO Vice-President R. J. Thomas. The dinner will reunite the various elements, excepting poll-tax Democrats, that made up the Roosevelt coalition.

Gov't Probes Riot

WASHINGTON (LPA)—"Deeply concerned" over the alleged infringement of civil rights in the recent outbreak at Columbia, Tenn., where a large group of Negroes were killed and injured, Atty. Gen. Tom C. Clark last week sent three Justice Department attorneys to the grand jury session convened on April 8 to investigate fully the murders and civil liberties violations.

UE Strike Continues

PITTSBURGH, April 8 (LPA)—The CIO's complete support and a $25,000 contribution from the United Steelworkers-CIO was pledged last week to 75,000 striking members of the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers-CIO at Westinghouse Electric plants.

Hope for settlement of the 11-week old strike rose following a conference here between CIO President Philip Murray and Gwilym A. Price, president of Westinghouse on March 31, however the company cancelled its union contract and notified employes that "all obligations under the old contract, such as maintenance of membership and checkoff are no longer in force.

Ask Blanket Increase

The UR & RW has asked for a blanket pay increase of 18½ cents an hour which the union won from General Electric and General Motors electrical division. The company has made a counter-offer which it said would average 15.1 cent an hour but which the union contends would amount to no more than 9.7 cents. Westinghouse' refusal to negotiate further on the wage issue caused the withdrawal of Federal Mediators Arthur S. Meyer and William Davis.

Because the NLRB has certified certain UERW locals, instead of the national union, as bargaining agent in some instances, the company, according to union officials is hoping to break the strike and the union by attempting to make deals with the individual locals. The locals, however, could easily frustrate these hopes by naming as their negotiators national officers of the union who have been fighting for the 18½ cents minimum.

Taft Opposes Health Bill

WASHINGTON, April 8 — (LPA) — The Wagner-Murray-Dingell Health Insurance Bill started on its way through the Senate last week with the Senate Labor Committee suppressing attempts by Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. Ohio) to disrupt the hearings and then taking the supporting testimony of Senator Wagner (D. N. Y.), Pepper (D., Fla.) and Rep. Dingell (D., Mich.), House sponsor of the measure.

Taft's clash with Chairman James E. Murray (D., Mont.) indicated the type of opposition expected from Congressional reactionaries and such groups as the American Medical Association which have fought every attempt at federal health legislation for years.

Taft, a committee member and the AMA's champion against the bill which has labor's united support, was quelled only after Sen. Murray threatened to have him thrown out of the room.

Calls It "Socialistic"

Taft interrupted Murray to exclaim, "To my mind this is the most socialistic measure ever to receive serious consideration in Congress."

Murray retorted, "I resent having everything progressive called socialistic. You said the same thing of the full employment bill." Taft admitted, "So I did. In its original form that was taken right out of the Soviet constitution."

Taft continued his attempts to disparage the legislation until

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Raises Continue

Wage increases which have been reported in the JOURNAL will be brought up to date in next week's issue. Many of the plants where interim increases were granted pending the settlement of the national wage pattern are now in process of negotiations to bring the rates up to the national level. Others have concluded their negotiations and will be reported as soon as the figures have been compiled. Watch next week's paper for an up-to-the-minute report on Local 12 shops.

Expect Ordinance Defeat At Today's Special Election

Thousands of Toledoans for and against the Income-Payroll Tax ordinance enacted by City Council on Jan. 27 poured out from the homes, offices and factories today to voice their approval or disapproval of one of Toledo's most controversial issues in many years.

Opponents leading the fight on the tax measure were the CIO-Political Action Committee which, through its head, Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director, opposed the ordinance from the time it was first proposed in City Council until its vote today, and the United Toledo Committee, headed by Vice-Mayor Michael V. DiSalle, Democratic candidate for Congress, which spent thousands of dollars in its attempt to induce the citizens to retain the tax.

Newspapers Are Vicious

Also playing an important part in today's election were the Toledo Blade and Toledo Times which from the first day that the CIO opposition appeared in City Council have injected personalities into the dispute and sought to make it a Gosser and CIO against the City of Toledo fight.

In its last editorial yesterday before the election, the Toledo Blade outdid itself in viciousness and dusted off some of its most descriptive adjectives in a last minute attempt to fan the fires of prejudice against Mr. Gosser and the CIO. What effect this will have upon today's election will not be known until the votes are counted this evening.

Mass meetings held on Monday

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Troublemaker

Reactionary Sen. Robert Taft (R, Ohio) disrupted the very first hearings of the Senate Labor Committee on labr-backed legislation for a national health program After interrupting proceedings to shout that the bill was "the most socialistic one Congress ever had before it," troublemaker Taft was told by Senator Murray (D. Mont.) one of the bill's authors, "I want you to subside, to shut up or I'll have the officers called to put you out of this committee room." Taft admitted making the statement that the original full employment bill, urged by President Roosevelt and Truman, "was taken right out of the Soviet constitution."

Gosser Reports Wage Increases

Toledo Machine Co. Agrees to Raises

Raises for the two Units of the Toledo Machine and Tool Co., the machine shop and foundry were announced on Monday of this week by Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director.

Members of the Toledo Machine & Tool Unit of Local 14 will receive 18½ cents an hour increase at once according to the agreement. The new wage rate will be effective as of March 25. Approximately 650 employes will benefit by the new rate.

Negotiations were completed for the Bliss Foundry Division of Toledo Machine & Tool Co. whose employes are members of Local 12, UAW-CIO in which a 16 cents an hour increase was given. This increase with the 5 cents an hour raise given last October brings the employes well within the wage pattern for the foundry industry according to Director Gosser. Benefitting from the new rates will be 238 employes of the company.

Joe Ditzel of the regional staff

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WU Fires CIO Workers

NEW YORK (LPA)—Western Union has cooked up a runaround that amounts to a runaway shop, according to charges made by the American Communications Assn.-CIO last week before the Federal Communications Commission Telegraph Committee. By ordering its nationwide local offices to route messages through other, smaller, roundabout channels, and to bypass the "telegraph capital of the world" at Centre St. here, the company has so reduced the flow of messages through this city that it had an excuse for firing ACA members on its N. Y. staff.

"New Yorker" Condemns Anti-Union Advertisements

N. Y. Times Singled Out By New York Publication

NEW YORK, April 8 (LPA)—Anti-union advertising in the daily press has become so obnoxious and irresponsible that even the effete New Yorker magazine, which formerly found lugubrious-looking blood hounds the most exciting phenomenon in contemporary American life, can no longer stomach it.

The New York Times which will not accept "advertisements that make false, unwarranted, or exaggerated claims" last winter published a quarter-page ad that completely violated this canon, the magazine pointed out last week. The ad carried the news headline, "7,750,000 Owners Of American Small Business Hit Back Against the Un-American Owners Of 'Big Labor' ".

Reports Times Ad

This ad, the New Yorker reported, was sponsored by the Conference of American Small Business Organizations with an address in Chicago. "The implication of the headline," declared the writer, "was that 7,750,000 small businessmen belong to the Conference, or at least agreed with it, which remains to be proved in, I should roughly guess, 7,749,000 cases (if there are that many small businessmen).

"Also the headline stated that labor is 'owned', which is neither demonstrable nor true The story in the body of the advertisement began, Months ago, one of America's top labor leaders said to one of us: "You haven't seen anything yet. We are going to pull a general strike. First, the auto industry Then steel. Then the electrical workers. We are out to get exactly what we want and we are prepared to go just as far as we have to to get it." The rest of the screed ran, 'Can you doubt that they and the theorists are out to debase all American busi

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Real Estate Boom Endangers Economy

Price Increases Average 3 Per Cent Each Month

WASHINGTON, April 8 (LPA)—A boom in real estate that may blow up our economy just as thoroughly as the atomic bomb is expected to demolish Bikini atoll is now well under way. Real estate prices have gone up 100% or more over 1940, a government survey revealed last wek.

The prices of houses have risen even more sharply than was expected in the months since V-J day, the survey shows, at an average price rise of 3% a month, or 36% a year if the boom is allowed to continue.

Housing Administrator Wilson Wyatt, who made the facts public last week, admitted the inflation was "far worse even than had been anticipated" and added that "it is obvious that price rises in homes in the order of 60% to 70% since 1940 far exceed other price advances. This is due to extreme shortages as well as to the fact that we have had no tools to hold the line in real estate or other capital assets."

Housing For Veterans

Wyatt last week took two days out of his busy schedule to present his case for a strong Veterans Emergency Housing Bill to the Senate Banking and Currency Committee. Besides Wyatt and Civilian Production Administrator Small, the committee heard only from representatives of major veterans organizations, all of whom urged passage of the bill as originally drafted.

Protests against strengthening the Veteran Emergency Housing Bill, which has been successfully crippled in the House version, were registered by the Natl. Association of Real Estate Boards and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Both want higher prices for building materials, instead of production subsidies.

Hearings Are Closed

Hearings have now been closed, and the Senate committee, which is chaired by Sen. Robert F. Wagner (D. N. Y.) is expected to report out both the Veterans Emergency Housing Bill and the General Housing Bill—sponsored by Wagner, Ellender (D. La.) and Taft (R., Ohio—very soon.

Special emphasis was given the Administration's pressure for the bill when President Truman departed from his prepared speech at the $100-a-plate Jackson Day dinner here to attack the real estate lobby for its role in robbing veterans of their chances for decent homes. He urged especially that Congress act favorably on the proposal for producers' subsidies and for price ceilings on homes.

Freezing Order Issued

The long-awaited order freezing non-essential building plans was finally issued last week by Civilian Production Administrator Small and by Wyatt. Except where authorized, the order forbids the beginning of construction, or repairs or changes in existing structures, public or private, costing over $4000 for homes and $15,000 for commercial buildings.

Even under the present materials allocation plan, only a small fraction of the homes being built are in the price range that veterans can afford. The Civilian Production Administration, in a summary of the first six weeks under the plan, indicate that only 31% of the rental applications authorized were for homes renting at $39.99 or less. Only 16.5% of the homes for sale were priced at under $5,499.

President Truman last week signed the second appropriation bill to provide an additional 100,000 emergency temporary structures for veterans housing. The bill authorizes use of $250,000,000 to remodel barracks and temporary war housing, and to move it to sites where it is needed most.

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concluded the negotiations which were also participated in by Director Gosser on April 7.

Members of the shop committee who assisted in concluding the agreement are Nelson F. Boyer, chairman; R. D. Good, vice-chairman; Clarence Snyder, secretary, and Ralph Eisenhart, Walter Flatt, Al Stickler, William Brown, Bennet Hurst and James Leininger, members of the shop committee.

Heinz Szeve, Local 12 representative, handled the Bliss Foundry negotiations assisted by the following members of the shop committee.

Tom Markley, chairman; James Ryan, vice-chairman; Elmer Thomas, secretary; and Howard Carroll and Arnold Schimming.

Court To Kill Hershey Rule

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The anti-labor superseniority theories of Selective Service Director Lewis Hershey and the American Legion will be outlawed for once and for all when the U. S. Supreme Court rules on the issue sometime within the next two months, AFL and CIO lawyers predicted last week.

The court decided last week to make a final ruling on Hershey's interpretation of the Selective Service Act, already declared invalid by three courts, which permits an employer to discharge a worker and replace him with a veteran who has less accumulated seniority including his time in the service.

Both CIO and AFL have won test cases in lower courts. The Supreme Court ruling will be made in the case of Abraham Fishgold, a Brooklyn, N. Y. welder, who is attempting to regain his job with the Sullivan Drydock & Repair Corp. which dismissed him during a cutback. The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals last month decided against Fishgold.

Tax Fight Ends With Large Vote

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by the Citizens Committee Against the Income-Payroll tax and the United Toledo Committee saw several hundred voters turn out to hear the last minute drive of the opposing sides for vote support.

Attorney Harry Kirtland, chairman of the Committee Against the Income-Payroll tax was the principal speaker at a mass meeting held at Moose Hall on Monday night of this week which was attended by about 400 persons.

Speak Against Tax

Mr. Kirtland, Dr. E. F. Newton and Richard Gosser were the principal speakers at Monday's meeting and voiced their opposition to the tax and city administration. Mr. Gosser warned the city that if the tax was going to make Toledo like Philadelphia where the tax originated that the workers of this city would not tolerate clubs in the hands of policemen on the picket lines.

Last minute radio talks were given by Mr. Gosser and Mr. DiSalle leaders on the opposing sides over local stations on Monday night with each side expressing its confidence of victory.

Also speaking last night against the tax was Councilman Tom Burke, one of the two members of City Council who voted against the ordinance. Mr. Burke repeated his contention that the resolution he had introduced into Council last fall for a study of the entire taxing structure was the plan which would have provided the exemptions which labor leaders asked for in the tax ordinance.

Await The Verdict

Thousands of interested Toledo citizens, City Council, the administration, newspaper, labor, real estate and corporate interests are waiting with interest and concern for the result of today's vote.

Statements issued by Mr. Gosser and Mr. DiSalle prior to the election indicate that whatever the results may be the various groups in Toledo must work in closer harmony and cooperation if Toledo is to solve its financial problems.

Bettings odds at the last minute were strongly in favor of the defeat of the tax with no takers except those whose instincts led them to believe the tax would be defeated.

Political experts believe that this will be the largest turnout of voters ever to take part in a special election and predict that the tax ordinance will be defeated by a close vote.

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ness—so that they can build out of the ruins a planned economy of their very own?' and is based on the conversation with the labor leader who is not named. He is in a class with the source of the tout's 'confidential information.'

Depends Top Leader

"The chance that a 'top labor leader' would predict a general strike is infinitesimal," said the New Yorker. 'Events since Feb. 7, when the ad was published, make it appear unlikely that a progressive strike was ever contemplated; in fact the steel and the auto workers are already back at their jobs. But since the purpose of the advertisement was not to make money but to influence public opinion, the standards of the Acceptability of Advertising Dept. apparently did not apply."

The magazine emphasized that that sort of text would be acceptable neither as a commercial ad nor, naturally, as ordinary editorial matter in the Times. Nevertheless, it is not libelous, because it mentions nobody and you can't libel a class. But it seems reasonable that newspapers will soon have to impose some standards of accuracy and even, perhaps, of style on their paying guests."

Nightmare Wrecks a Dream-house

A legislative nightmare in the House of Representatives undermined President Truman's request for a housing program to build dream homes like this one. Unless Senate action defeats the combination of Republicans, reactionary Democrats and real estate interests, the Administration's plan for subsidizing production of needed building materials for veterans' homes will never be realized. Also wrecked was Truman's request for price ceilings on old and newly built houses. This home, built during the war at Silver Spring, Md., has a Federal Housing Agency valuation of $6250 and could be obtained by monthly payments of $36.96. (LPA).

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jected by the Ottawa Co. Common Pleas Court.

Despite his failure to break the union, Coons has announced that he will provoke further dissention and discontent among the employes in the expectation that he can break their strike, according to the brief which ends with charging the company and its representatives with refusal "at all times" to bargain in good faith with the employes or their representatives.

Violates Promise

Union officials point out that Coons violated his promise made to the Union last week that he would only send in enough office help to handle the paper work when the union agreed to permit some of its members to enter the plant and prepare surplus Army material for shipment. Instead of bringing in a few employes, Coons brought in practically the entire office force.

Again on Monday of this week, the plant manager attempted to bring in the office force, but was prevented from accomplishing this by the pickets who were present. Police who were summoned by Coons refused to intervene because the picket line was orderly and there was no violence.

Irate at his failure to break through the picket line with office workers, Coons cancelled negotiations which were scheduled for Monday and informed the union that he was terminating the contract.

Gosser Condemns Coons

Regional Director Gosser of Toledo when informed of Coons action said, "I have not met with a representative of management in a long time who shows such a lack of cooperation as Coons. He is about 10 years out of step with the times. Labor-management relations have marched right past him and left him standing all alone in the midst of his illusions that he is greater and stronger than the union."

The UAW head added that the union would spare no efforts to get action on its case before the National Labor Relations Board and praised the members of Local 497 of this city who have indicated their willingness to fight their case to a successful conclusion.

Members of Local 497 have been on strike since Feb. 27.

Attempt To Wreck USES

WASHINGTON, April 8 (LPA) — A campaign by reactionary employers supported by sections of the Chamber of Commerce and National Association of Manufacturers to wreck the current job-finding program of the U. S. Employment Service was disclosed last week.

The Illinois C. of C. was revealed as one of the leaders in a concerted attempt to sabotage the efforts of USES to have employers list all available positions instead of the lower-paid and unskilled jobs.

Contention of the C. of C. and NAM reactionaries is that the USES program is merely another device to keep the service under federal control.

Brewery Workers To Pick Union

CINCINNATI, April 8 (LPA) —A nation-wide referendum to determine whether more than 85,000 members of the International Union of United Brewery, Flour, Cereal and Soft Drink Workers will affiliate with the CIO will be held in the near future, it was decided last week by an International Conference attended by 204 delegates representing 187 local unions.

The Brewery Workers withdrew from the AFL as the result of a long-standing and unresolved jurisdiction dispute with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. In announcing the referendum the union's general executive board recalled that "our membership by an overwhelming majority rejected the decision of the AFL on three different occasions."

The AFL will not appear on the ballot. Under the union's constitution 30 days are set aside for free discussion of the subject in the Brewery Worker, the international's weekly paper, and 30 days are allowed for the vote.

The Brewery Workers will hold their 29th convention in Galveston, Tex., in September. Last year's gathering was deferred by war-time travel restrictions.

Surplus Goods Rot In Pacific

WASHINGTON, — April 8— (LPA)—More than $15 billion worth of Army property overseas may have to be junked or abandoned, War Dept. officials now admit. No estimate has been made of how many additional billions of Navy property may meet the same fate.

Much of the surplus consists of munitions, tanks, planes, bulldozers, jeeps and other types of vehicles. In the Pacific alone material of this type valued at $1,500,000,000 must be disposed of.

Nevertheless there are millions of dollars worth of other equipment that coud be brought back to the U. S. and converted to civilian use. Warehouses on Okinawa, which was scheduled to be the jumping off point for the Japanese invasion, bulge with such items as 3,000,000 feet of wire cable, more than 2,000,000 flashlight batteries, 3000 trucks, hundreds of tractors, cranes and bulldozers.

Despite a shortage of many of these items in the U. S. and a desperate need for them in China and the Philippines great quantities of these surpluses will be left to rot and rust. U. S. manufacturers fear that if these machines were sold in the U. S. or abroad it would cut severely into their markets and consequently their profits.

Sharp criticism of the "vacillation and lack of decision" shown by the Army and Navy in disposing of surplusses abroad was registered by the Special Senate Committee Investigating National Defense. The war agencies have made "a confused muddle" of the situation, said the senators, charging that the sale of surplus materials to Great Britain was "a far poorer bargain" than similar sales after the last war.

Senate Moves On Housing

WASHINGTON, April 8 — (LPA) — The Wagner-Ellender-Taft Bill, calling for a national program to construct 12,000,000 homes, won the unanimous approval of the Senate Banking & Currency Committee last week.

It was the second successful move to provide speedy solution to the nation's critical housing crisis. On the previous day the Committee voted thru the program of Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt which contemplates the emergency construction of 2,700,000 dwellings for veterans.

Price ceilings on existing homes and building lots, cut out of the legislation by the House, were restored. The Senate will take action on the Wyatt legislation first and then the Wagner-Ellender-Taft bill, both of which had vigorous backing from all sections of labor.

Provides Housing

Designed to take up where the emergency program leaves off, the Wagner-Ellender-Taft proposal calls for both rural and urban housing, for public projects for low-income groups, private construction, slum clearance, and research in new materials and building methods.

Four major improvements in the House version were made in the emergency program including the price ceilings and a government-guaranteed market for new building materials and prefabricated homes. The committee okayed a $600,000,000 fund for materials subsidies that had been rejected by the House.

Opposed by sections of the realtors' and construction lobbies, the legislation was also attacked by Sen. Homer E. Capehart (R. Ind.) and others who threatened to renew their attempts to reduce he size of the $600,000,000 fund when the bill reaches the Senate floor.

Wyatt declared, "I am happy. I hope the Senate can sell the House on subsidies."

Taft Opposes Health Bill

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Murray declared, "You are making a grandstand play to disrupt these hearings. I'll have the officers remove you from this room if you don't subside."

Wagner's Statement

Wagner, pointing out that in the past workmen's compensation, income tax legislation, unemployment insurance and free employment offices had been denounced as socialistic, said, "We have lived to see these new programs eventually accepted as part of our basic system of American freedom and democracy, even by the very groups who first opposed them."

Wagner gave a detailed analysis of the bill which would authorize government expenditures of about $50,000,000 for a comprehensive health system, compulsory health insurance, grants for public health and child care and to the various states for medical research.

Dingell Condemns AMH

Dingell condemned the AMA's propaganda agency, the Natl. Physicians Committee which he said subjected the proposed bill to "more willful misrepresentation and misinformation than any other piece of legislation I have ever seen presented in all my 13 years in Congress."

The Michigan Congressman recalled that the AMA had fought even voluntary group health plans and had been convicted of violating the anti-trust laws in its attempts to suppress a cooperative health plan in Washington, D. C.

Unions Solve Rent Problem

ERIE, Pa. (LPA)—Not 18½c, not 30%, but a 100% raise is being demanded by the new owners of the Auditorium Building here in which several CIO unions have their offices. "A swell example of what would happen if rent controls were removed from residential dwellings," said the People's Press last week in reporting the problem now facing the unions: either pay twice as much rent or get out.

Senate Saboteur

The role of Sen. John Bankhead (D.,Ala.) each year at this time becomes a repeat performance — repeated only at the request of cotton interests and other groups anxious to wreck the price control act. Bankhead, as chairman of a special Senate subcommittee is front man for the cotton profiteers in blackjacking Congress into accepting amendments favored by the clothing manufacturers and opposed by labor and consumer groups. (LPA).

Unions Support Jewish Relief

NEW YORK, April 8.—(LPA) —National CIO and AFL leaders this week will help launch a $1,000,000 drive by the Jewish Labor Committee to finance its work of rescue, relief and reconstruction in Europe and its fight against racism, intolerance, and anti-Semitism in this country.

AFL President William Green and Sam Eubanks, executive vice-president of the American Newspaper Guild - CIO, will speak, together with Atty. Gen. Tom Clark, at a discussion-dinner marking the opening of the campaign.

"It is the purpose of the Jewish Labor Committee, which represents 500,000 organized workers affiliated with both the AFL and CIO to meet to our ability the crying demands of the first and worst victims of Hitlerism," declared JLC Chairman Adolph Held, "that they be restored to self-respect and the right to a free and equal life. In this country, too, we have been engaged in an intensive educational campaign against the divisionist forces of discrimination and religious and racial bigotry. Part of the funds which are netted in this year's campaign will be allocated to strengthen the forces of decency and human brotherhood in American communal life. We are confident that labor will, as in prior years respond generously to our endeavors in these crucial post-war months."

CIO Opens Vet School

CHICAGO — (LPA) — The Chicago CIO Industrial Union Council will set up a school for veterans' counseors, it was decided here last week at a conference of more than 100 delegates from CIO locals in the Chicago area.

Key men will attend weekly classes designed to train counselors so that each local will have an officer who can give assistance to veterans on questions of job rights, loans, education, apprenticeship allowances, pensions, disability pay, insurance and other problems.

Meyer Bernstein, representative of the national CIO Veterans Committee was guest speaker, relating the committee's work in establishing job seniority for veterans who held no job before entering the armed forces.

OPA Given Year Extension

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Republicans and Democrats also repealed the OPA's maximum average price program designed to stimulate production of low-cost clothing. Permission was also given to transient hotels to make unspecified upward rent adjustments.

Seek Weaker Controls

The same combination of Congressional tories and big business spokesmen is expected to renew the battle for an even weaker price control law when the measure reaches the floor of the House sometime after April 15. Hearings before the Senate Banking Committee are yet to be held.

Commenting on the House committee's action, one OPA official declared. "This is part of the plan of the profit lobby to get concessions for privileged groups as the price of giving the price control act another 12 months of life. The fight against renewal of the act and the demand for more 'flexible' price control is just a smoke-screen under cover of which the most profitable industries in the country are getting special amendments which will simply add to their already huge profits."

OPA Administrator Paul Porter, in a strong appeal to the committee, said that living costs could be held down "only if the price control law is extended promptly without weakening amendments — only if present subsidies are continued."

If the price control program were wrecked, he asserted, it would not only bring a disastrous inflation to the U. S. but "might well wreck for years all constructive attempts at the sort of international economic relations which we must have as a firm support for international peace."

Negroes Win Primary Vote

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Supreme Court last week extended to Negroes in Georgia the right to vote in Democratic primaries. Refusing to review a lower court decision that a citizen may not be barred from suffrage solely because of color, the Court thereby upheld the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

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Seeing Eye—*W-O Unit*

Organized workers in the State of Ohio are on the move to get all workers and their friends registered so they will be able to vote in the primaries on May 7 for Marvin C. Harrison for U. S. senator. We would like to compliment the PAC for picking out a man whom we believe everyone will like if they ever have a chance to hear him express his views.

Democrats all over the state are betting that Marvin Harrison will be nominated, as he is making sensible speeches all over the state and is the logical man to beat John Bricker (the friend of the rich).

Reports from the east state that the DuPonts, Rockefellers and many others are ear-marking their money for the Ohio senatorial race.

Money is not what counts. Votes are needed, and the workers have those. So vote right, and that is for our friend, Harrison.

Thousands of workers on unemployment compensation should remember how PAC consistently fought the reactionaries in the state legislature for $25 for 26 weeks. Those are the birds who are coming up for re-nomination May 7. Let's all gang up on them and only nominate those who carry PAC and labor's endorsements. If we are ever going to do a job on those who do not like labor, this is the year to do it.

One of our old-time union members, Charles Wening, formerly of Dept. 563 has retired as a worker and is now a pensioner of Uncle Sam. He now draws a monthly check from the Social Security Fund. Sorry to see you go, Brother Charlie, we will miss you. This is just a reminder to the rest of the old-timers, you are going to follow in his footsteps, that if we had elected labor's friends to Congress, Brother Charlie and thousands of others could retire on $100 per month instead of $40 to $50 per month.

CONVENTION GOSSIP

If we did nothing else, we sure won a lot of respect for Local 12 and Region 2-B We did not know there would be so many requests for W.-O. contracts or we would have taken a couple hundred with us.

One of the many sights that does not make one happy is to look at that big veterans' hospital on the Boardwalk at Atlantic City which houses thousands of amputee cases and at those who wrapped a flag around themselves during the war and now want to throw those boys out and take this big building over for a hotel so they will have some place to spend their ill-gotten gains. The convention went on record by a vote that was unanimous, condemning the people who want this building for a good time and we the visitors second this motion froh the bottom of our hearts.

We who work at the Overland and have such a fine contract should get behind our officers and do a better job in the years to come.

Canco Unit Opener

By Carmen Nader

LET'S ALL WORK

Some time ago many statements were being made regarding 100 per cent organization of the American Can. The strange part of the whole situation is the fact that people who make the statements let it stop at that. We are aware of the job of organizing that must be done, but it must be remembered that this is a job for all, and not just one. Let's all get busy and prod these sleigh riders to the extent of membership in the best labor organization in Toledo. Let's ALL work.

EXPECT IT SOON

With the pleasant weather and the trees popping buds and the grass taking on a deep green hue, we should prepare ourselves for some sizeable fish stories. We can still remember the bell ringers told by Mona Polcyn, Spud Witkowski, Bob Zerbey, Paul Herwat and, last but not least, the old reliable Louie Krempa. Don't let 'em get away this year, boys!

LOOK FORWARD TO—

The ping pong tournament, which will be held in the near future. No odds to be granted in this event.

The horseshoe tournament with Ted Piojda kicking the shoes rather than tossing them.

The Local 12 Softball League with the possibilities of the Canco Unit having an entry this year.

The back pay which will be paid on or about the 26th day of April (we hope).

The PAC drive at the plant dated the same as the back pay deal. We want 100 per cent this year.

It Can Happen Here

BUFFALO, N. Y. (LPA) — One for the book. An 18½c wage increase demand by the United Steelworkers-CIO of the N Y. Car Wheel Co. here got—not 18½c but a 21c-an-hour raise for the workers. And they hadn't even been on strike! The company said they could afford more, now that overtime was eliminated, so the workers got the benefit, in a contract signed last week.

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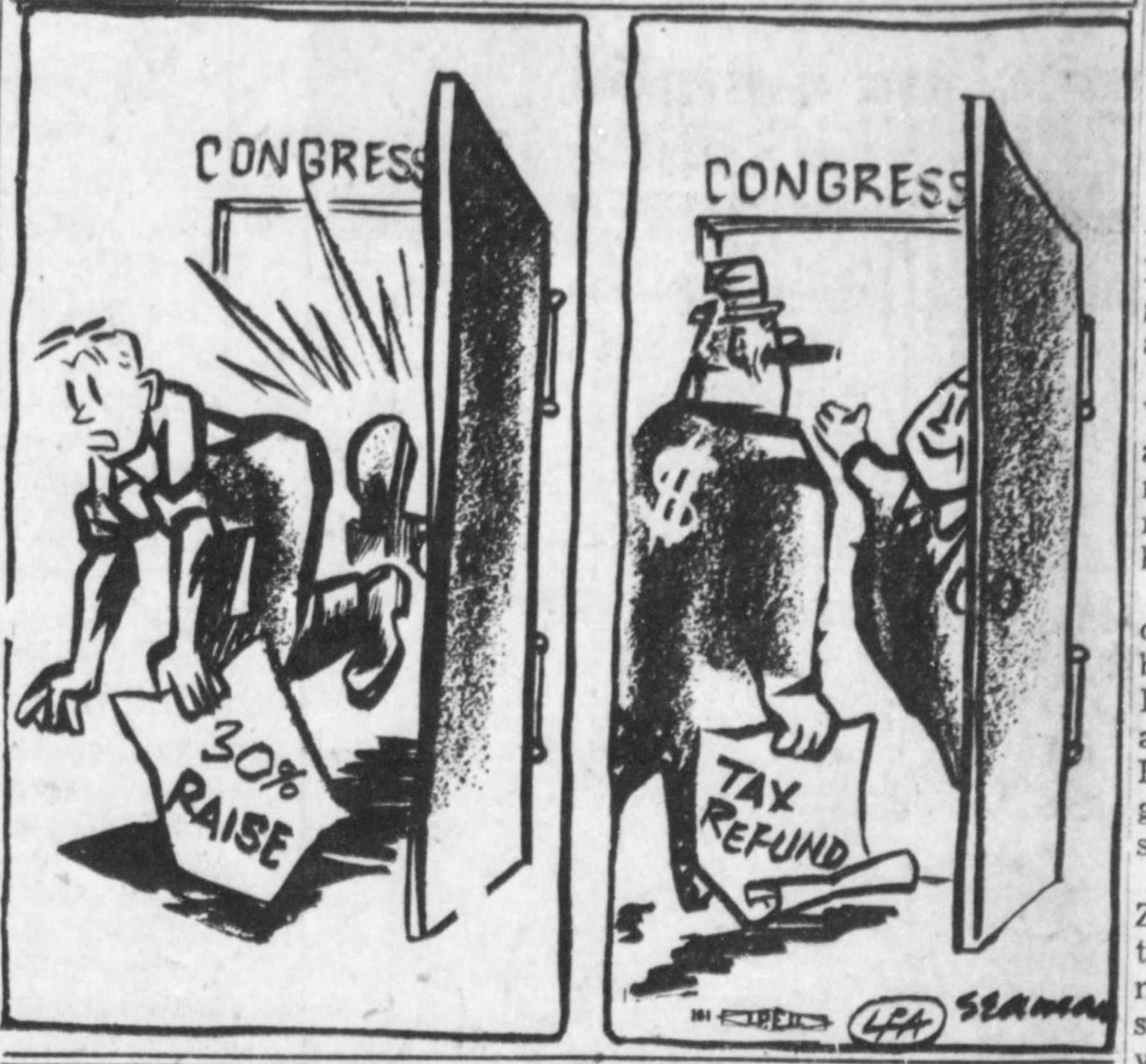


National *Supply Unit News*

By Jim Durliat

The passing of Ernest "Bing" Crosby was mourned by hundreds of his friends in the plant. He served on several executive committees and at all times was an outstanding member. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife and family in their loss.

We extend our sympathy to John Brug and son in the loss of their wife and mother.

Harold Vicker who has been off work for the past two weeks with an infected finger is also an outstanding dog trainer. We hope he will soon be around and will bring one of his trick dogs to perform in the Personnel Office.

To Unit members. Do not allow Jim Allemeier to question you unless your department steward is present. Jim works out of Dorrell's office and part of his job is to check on grievances members of the Unit turn over to the committee. Watch your step and do not be taken in by company officials. Get your steward first.

Hot score was rolled by one of the bowlers on the Rivet team last week—81. If the guys work in the Methods Dept. isn't better than his bowling and Union standing he's a gone goosling.

Top heel of the week. Millwright Boss Ray Forrester. Anyone in this prize man's department who doesn't think and feel like he does will find him and some of the Red Apple Club working out on them. With the steel shortage being what it is, we would like to suggest that Ray make restitution of a steel mortar box. Catch, pal?

National softball team is holding practice sessions each Wednesday night at Beatty Field. We want a winning team this year and all the young blood in the shop who can qualify are urged to be present next Wednesday for practice and tryouts. Forrester's little boy Pettit will not be in charge this year.

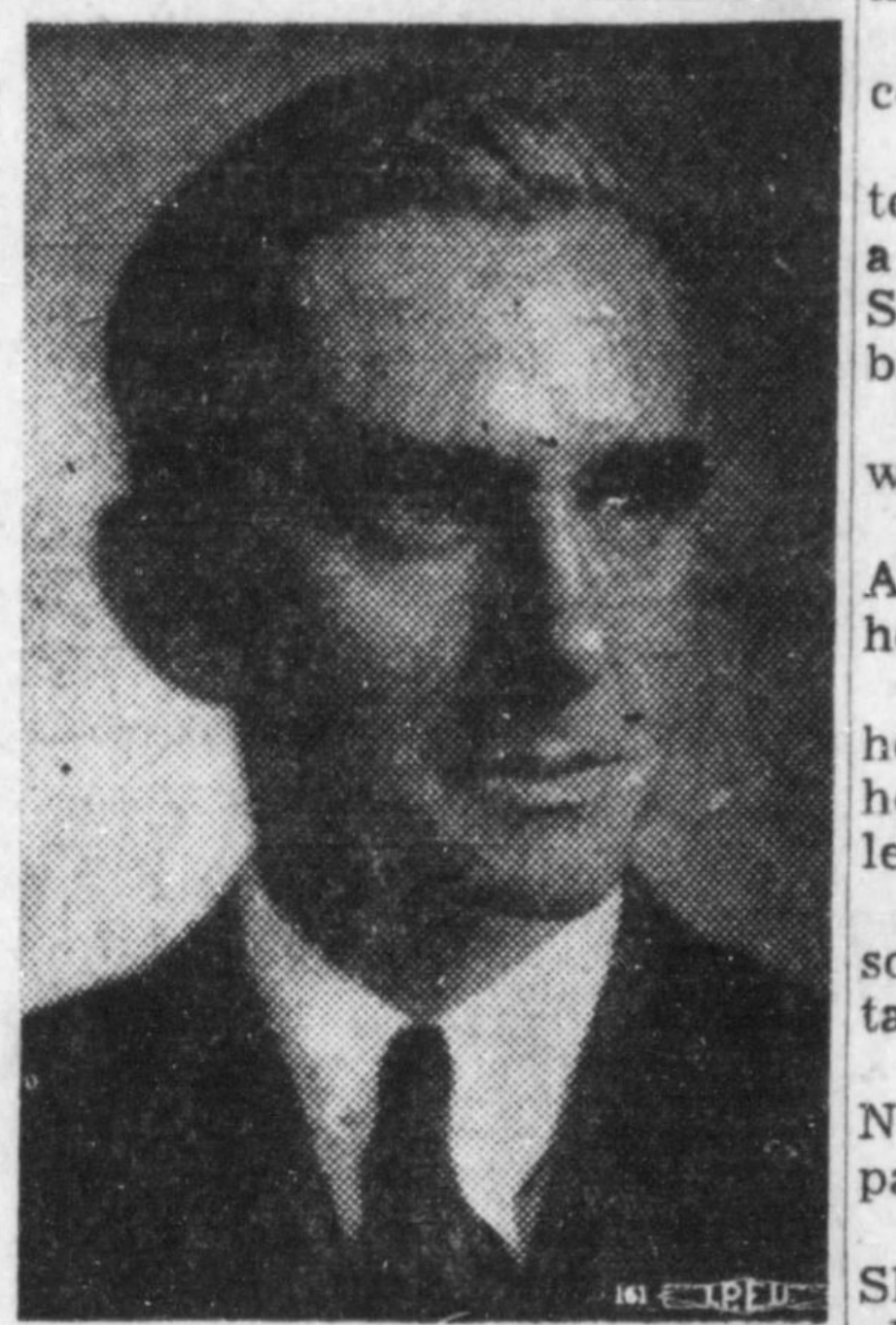
If it is true that the company is putting out $150 for a golf team, we have R. Ringman to thank for same.

See John DeWitt and join PAC. It's a good deal for all the workers.

Russia Refuses U. S. Vets

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Russia is the only nation in the world which has refused admission to U. S. veterans who want to study abroad under the GI Bill of Rights, it was announced last week by Dr. Walter C. Eells, chief of the foreign training division of the Veterans Administration. A dozen Soviet schools had been approved by the VA and a number of Americans had applied for study in Russia, Eells said, but the Soviet Embassy rejected the applications.

Frightened Man



Gerard D. Reilly, member of the Nat'l Labor Relations Board, was horrified and frightened at the Board's recent decision ruling that foremen have a right to join rank-and-file unions. Echoing word for word the outgrade protests of the Nat'l Assn. of Manufacturers that foremen in rank and file unions would do everything but turn American industry over to the Indians, Reilly was so frightened, in fact, that he demanded that the Board's decision be destroyed by the courts or by Congress. (LPA).

Champion Unit Sparklets

Congratulations to Melvin and Helen Kwiatkowski on the birth of a baby daughter.

Clara Rawski, Dept. D. second shift is in Mercy Hospital, following an operation.

Leonard Berkholt really bowled them over the other morning. Whitey set what is believed to be an all-time record in the Auditorium Breakfast Bowling League when he rolled a 709 three game total.

Thelma Geren, Dept. E second shift is recuperating in Mercy Hospital from a reecnt operation.

Aggie Koester sure has been sporting the fancy hairdo's lately. What's up, Aggie?

We had a nice turn out for the last meeting, and everyone said it was one of the liveliest and most interesting meetings we've had. Let's have them all that way. We can if we all turn out and participate.

Alberta Mulinix, Dept. D. second shift recently changed her name to Johnson. Best wishes, Alberta.

Opposes Poll Tax

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (LPA)—Former Gov. James C. Allred of Texas urged upon southern states' attorneys-general last week the abolishment of the poll tax so as to bring more voters to the polls. He listed a higher standard of education, better health standards and decent living conditions as pressing problems and that we resent outside intereference," he said. "Is it not high time that we begin to demonstrate through real southern leadership that we can deal best with the problem?"

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Toledo Stamping Notes

Congrats to Don, who makes the stars shine in Mildred's eyes. It happened at Wilhelmina Pregizer's last Saturday evening at a party.

Six new brides coming up. Wonder if Amber will soon be announcing the date. Addie announces that we will have our raffle as soon as she can get the hassock.

Sorry that Florence Merrill quit, but are glad to welcome back Lavina Henzley. Zelina Brown is on leave of absence and we are going to lose Hazel Rawlings, a fine steward. Congrats to Stella Rosik, our new second-trick steward.

Bessie McDevitt and Martha Zawodny are recent additions to the birthday club. The club was not April fooling when it presented Florence Englemeyer with two lovely blankets, and we all admired the gifts Rosa Hughes received last week.

Birthday greetings to Barbara Kohler, one of our better bowlers.

Members of the Unit extend sincere sympathy to Fannie Willemborg, who recently lost her husband.

We welcome back Irene Tebber, who is mended following her recent accident.

Eva Spangler's husband is coming home and she's glad.

Rose Thorzynski's mother entertained some of the girls for a shower on the bride-to-be. She's collecting recipes. Not a bad idea.

If you folks don't get flowers when you're sick be patient.

What is it that could force Alice Sherly to work at the hour of 10:30?

Gloria is trying to solve the housing shortage by spending her spare time in a bowling alley.

Norby Karmol is offering something new in the line of taxi service.

La Weber went shopping in Noo Yawk and brought back a pair of green shoes.

Vivian Humphries and Irene Skrzypinski are about to bein playing house again.

Ragging the Scale

By Elsie Jaye

Spring is here with a vengeance. Or so it seems after listening to Hughie Garns, Robert Martin, Ray Moore, Chuck Cramer, et al. Golfers all!

Brother Moore carries his hat between drives "to get a little tan up there so it won't look so shiny."

A pair of firsts have been more or less quietly celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Machaterre, March 31, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Justus, April 9, it being the end of the first year of wedded bliss.

Dept. 25 has a new hoist with carrier, for the Tippin-Hogg-Martin-Kenny-Roper team. Wonder if it's intended to be used to haul the load of malarkey Len Tomaszewski has been springing since he got back from the hospital.

Jack Wyss, of plating and polishing, slept in the bed Len used, for four weeks first. Guess Len doesn't like a cold bed.

Clyde—"Say, Jack, how'll I know your brother." Jack—"Just hit him on the nose, and if he gets mean as hell, that's him!" (3 days later.) Clyde: "Boy! Do you come from a big family! I found 17 guys. But not a one would admit being any relation to you."

Pete Martin of Levers has been on the sick list for several days. We feel sure he'll soon be back.

Herb Hoffmann has a telescope with which to watch Johnnie Dushane, so nowadays he doesn't pause long.

• Wish I could report the defeat of the P.-I.-T., as of April 11th, but by the time you read this it wouldn't be news anyway. You might say thank-you to the PAC for making the referendum possible tho, by paying your buck, and becoming an active member for a year.

We extend heartiest congratulations to Dick Gosser, on his election to the fourth term as regional director.

Wants Secret Vote

NEW YORK, March 18 — (LPA) — The mayor's special transit committee, holding hearings on the union demands presented Transport Workers Union-CIO, was asked last week by Michael J. Quill, union president, to order secret-ballot elections so that the workers can decide which of eight contending organizations they want to represent them in collective bargaining with the city for higher pay and better conditions.

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The Acklinite

By Martin Bachli

We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of Frank Machrowski who recently lost his mother, also to Louie Meng who's sister died recently.

These balmy days bring the fishermen out of hiding, and Acklin has more then its share of them. Recently Stanley Majczak and Walter Wisniewski went out to Catawba Cliffs accompanied by Walter's son, for a day of this sport. Both these fishermen have post graduate diplomas from the School of Ananias. At the end of the day the boy had been the most successful of the three. When Walter was asked how come he had so few, he replied, "Well you know I got such a kick out of watching the kid that I just forgot about fishing myself." Oh Yeah! Better think up some new ones Walter.

Spring mushrooms are beginning to pop up and some of our mushroom hunters will be seen almost anywhere looking for

Copper Strike Is Spreading

WASHINGTON—(LPA) — Relatively unpublicized in the daily press the nation's copper industry is grinding swiftly to a shutdown as strikes continue to close mines and smelters from coast to ocast.

The big three of copper, Anaconda, Phelps Dodge, and American Smelting & Refining, are being struck by two CIO unions, the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers, and the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers. Average hourly wages at Anaconda, largest of the three, are 87c and at Phelps Dodge 84c. A 25c an hour raise is sought by the unions from both firms while AS&R has been asked for a hike of 21½c.

Neither Anaconda nor Phelps Dodge has made a reply to the wage demands, AS&R has refused to go higher than 12½c. Both unions have prepared evidence showing that the big three can afford to pay the wage hikes in view of their huge war profits and elimination of the excess porfits tax.

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The boys are back from the UAW Atlantic City convention, tired, broke, but wiser. Who knows, maybe one of them will some day be President of the union.

Have you noticed Eddie Schmidt's new hair do. He says its a convention special—a combination of malt beverage and salt sea air.

We extend our best wishes recovery.

Its a question whether Al Miller is really looking for the inspector every time you see him or if he is trying to set a record as a nuisance.

Dick Garrison has been fishing up the river for the past 15 years, but so far all he brings home is a weak alibi.

We wish we could get a girl friend like that blond-headed guy who works on the air lathe. Must have something to get a diamond ring like that from a gal.

Helen Savers stiff neck comes from looking for nylons.

Our bowling team that took first place for three consecutive years dropped to fifth place this year. The other team took second place. Oh well, you can't win all the time and maybe we'll do better next season.

Revive Old Weapon

GAFFNEY, S. C. (LPA) — The six-months-old strike by members of the Textile Workers Union-CIO against the local plant of the giant Deering-Milliken chain brought out a rusty strike-breaking weapon last week: the court injunction. Although the strike has been absolutely peaceful, the sweatshoppers—failing to starve out the workers — have yelped to the courts for aid in breaking the morale of the workers.

Negro Vets Suffer Most

NEW YORK (LPA)—Adjustment to civilian life is difficult enough for any veteran, but to the Negro veteran it is "most disheartening," according to the Natl. Urban League's director of industrial relations. He pointed out last week "The movement of Negroes into peacetime employment lags far behind the movement of white veterans," and charged the USES and Veterans Administration with lack of a comprehensive program to "secure on-the-job-training or apprenticeship training for Negro veterans in any city."

Lakeside Unit Chatter

We apologize for forgetting to include the names of Virginia Safalvia and Tom Gillmore among those elected to the executive committee.

Gertie Adamski rarely shows up for bowling anymore which leads us to wonder if she has met the tall, dark and lonesome man.

And speaking of bowling, the girls on the Tuesday league looked mighty chic when the photographer took their picture the other night.

Reports have it that when Frank Wheeler, our delegate to the Atlantic City convention reached his destination and alighted from the plane he was 10 pounds lighter than when he had boarded it. We understand Jim Crowley had to carry him off. Still Frank insists that life begins at 40.

If you happen to have a good pair of choppers, don't lay them down near Blanche Kazinski. She's looking for a pair. Incidentally, Blanche and Martha Jurski are driving everyone "nuts" with their rendition of "You Are My Sunshine."

Marjorie Lloyd recently became grandmother of a baby girl. She reports that both grandpa and the baby are doing fine and thank you.

Eddie Dankert and Harry Poddany have rejoined us after doing their stint for Unka Samuel.

Indans Form Co-op

JAMESTOWN, N. D. (LPA)—The Turtle Mountain Indians have formed a co-op of their own, and will soon open their first store in Belcourt. Any member of the tribe, over 16 years of age, may participate on payment of a $5 membership fee, and employes of the co-op as it expands, will be the tribesmen themselves who show aptitude for such occupation. "It will provide employment for a considerable number of people," association officials said.

Pickets Make History

FREDERICK, Md. (LPA) — This town saw its first picketing in the community's history last week when Local 667, Intl Assn. of Machinists called out its members at the Frederick Iron & Steel Co. plant here. Contract negotiations over increased pay seniority and other issues broke down, and the IAM was forced to resort to the walkout.

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Our Common Purpose

Regardless what the outcome of the Income-Payroll Tax referendum may be, it is apparent that most of the people who took part in the controversy are interested in making Toledo a better and more progressive city.

With that goal—the advancement of Toledo—to unite us, there isn't any reason why every group in this city should not sit down in common council and explore each other's ideas for the purpose of hitting upon ways and means of furthering our own and the interests of Toledo.

The bitter fight through which we have passed over retention or rejection of the Income-Payroll Tax should teach us that we must have mutual respect for each other's views and be willing to strive for some honorable compromise which would be of mutual benefit to the various economic groups who are trying to earn their living in this city.

No group can possibly profit for long at the expense of any other group without arousing resentment and setting the stage for more controversy. Whether it be labor, industry, real estate of any other group, each must respect the other and not attempt to take unfair advantage.

It is our belief that labor is aware of its responsibility to this community and has demonstrated this responsibility in many ways in the past few years. We need only point out the constructive and progressive part played by labor in the Labor-Management-Citizens Committee since its formation to illustrate this point.

What labor has contributed to the advancement of industrial peace, it can and will do for the city as a whole.

Despite the irresponsible charges which have been cast at labor and its leadership, the fact remains that it is to labor's leadership that industrial and civic leaders look when faced with problems which affect the well being of this city.

Certainly, if labor leaders are competent to lead their members in the settlement of matters which affect the industrial welfare of this city, they are equally competent to represent their members in planning and executing plans which would advance the welfare of the city as a whole.

One thing is certain, labor is not going to be ignored or called in at the last minute as a necessary evil which must be tolerated and be expected to play an important part in saving situations planned and approved in advance by a few individuals who have selected themselves as the self-appointed saviors of Toledo.

Labor has grown up and acquired its long pants. It is capable of accepting full partnership in our municipal corporation and it will not be content with playing a stooge role.

It is our belief that labor today is ready and willing to take its place as a responsible party in the formulation of planning a program for Toledo. Until this occurs we shall continue to flounder in a house divided against itself in which progress not only comes to a standstill, but actually goes backward.

Our common purpose is to make Toledo a progressive and dynamic city in which we can live, and work, and play, and to which we can point with pride as one of America's really great cities. All we need is a little more common sense, a little less selfishness, and a little more willingness to get along together.

Let us hope that Thursday's election will speed the day when we can unite in a program acceptable to all and from which all may gain.

HERE'S A NEW GAME FOR UNION MEMBERS

After mulling over the job evaluations provided by the company, the Michigan Federation of Telephone Workers decided to do some job evaluation of their own on company officials. Here are just three of the union's findings:

"Telephone Company President: Engaged principally in perusal of reports on progress of business, occasionally gives out awards for safety performance and pats on the back for faithful service, makes short speeches on suitable occasions, wishes some other term besides 'excess profits' had been invented, looks forward at regular intervals to retirement with comfortable pension.

"General Plant Manager: Deplores increasing influence of unions in telephone industry, sometimes attends retirement parties, yearns for return of good old Republican administration; examines union contracts with microscope, looks out for welfare of fair-haired boys.

"Vice-president in charge of Public Relations: Sees that daily newspapers give the company proper respect, supervises preparation of advertising campaigns, defends "free enterprise' when occasion demands, sees that company propaganda finds its way into small newspapers, sees that all company projects get under way with the proper ceremonials."

Washington LaborReport

By Bradford V. Carter

President Truman last week issued the quarterly report on the state of the economy prepared by Reconversion Administrator John Snyder. It might serve a useful purpose to single out for special emphasis here some of the seamier sides of the report which were hardly even noted in most of the newspaper accounts which I saw.

"The pressure toward inflation will remain for months to come the single most serious threat to successful completion of reconversion."

What Snyder didn't say in his report was that a dangerous tendency on the part of OPA to appease business and Congress may be an important contributing influence toward inflation. Labor people close to the OPA here are alarmed at the kind of price increases which OPA is granting to businessmen — price increases which go far beyond any conceivable relief needed to accommodate the wage boosts.

On the contrary, there is no disposition in government anywhere — and that goes for the administration as well as for Congress—to relate conversion price policy to the enormous profits earned in wartime in all segments of the economy. Snyder's report observes in connection with the textiles indutry that although "total production last year was only 5% greater than in 1939 profits in the cotton textile industry were more than 900% above the 1936-9 average."

PROFITS UP

Nor is the cotton textile industry an exception to the high profitability of industry during the war years. OPA data show that in comparison with the 1936-9 base period, the profits of all companies were up by 217.7%; in the transportation equipment industry profits were up by 1469%, lumber by 1111%, rubber products and wholesale trade profits jumped more than 500%, electrical machinery, department stores and paper earned over 300%. These statistics can be continued endlessly. One conclusion is inescapable; despite OPA controls business earned huge profits.

Referring to the Employment Act of 1946, Snyder says, "The Nation now has an effective implement to foster the free and efficient functioning of our competitive system." What Snyder is talking about is the bill that finally emerged from the original Full Employment legislation sponsored by Senator Murray. The elimination of the word "full" from the emasculated act is very symbolic, because the Employment Act of 1946 has nothing to do with full employment.

THREAT

The controversy over the original Murray bill and what finally came out of the Congressional mill points up the complete state of unpreparedness and avoids any concrete commitment by the government to do anything about full employment. There is no indication in the report that Snyder appreciates how really innocuous the Employment Act really is, although I am sure he knows better.

On housing, and food for Europe, Snyder says things which are worth saying. But even so, if we may inject a sour note here, Snyder must bear a major responsibility for the precipitous dropping of food rationing and materials priorities after V-J day which made these problems even worse than they ever needed to be.

Congressional paradox: Two of the best pro-labor men in Congress will be running for the U. S. Senate this fall—and both will be running as Republicans. To make the matter even stranger they have the same last name—LaFollette. Sen. Robert LaFollette of Wiscon and Rep. Chas. LaFollette of Indiana are distant cousins Both will have almost solid trade union support.

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A Georgia Congressman, according to Associated Press, has just returned from Central American where he encountered a monkey that pickeu up a stick and knocked the filling out of a couple of the Congressman's teeth. Filling in the gaps in the story we can visualize the moneky advancing on the Georgian and muttering to himself, "Ha, now we'll settle for once and for all that libel about your having descended from us."

Rep. Clare Hoffman (R. Mich.) wants a new law that would make unions and companies alike legally liable for breaking a contract. Anatole France gave the answer to that one when he remarked on "the majestic impartiality of the law which permits rich men and beggars alike to starve under bridges."

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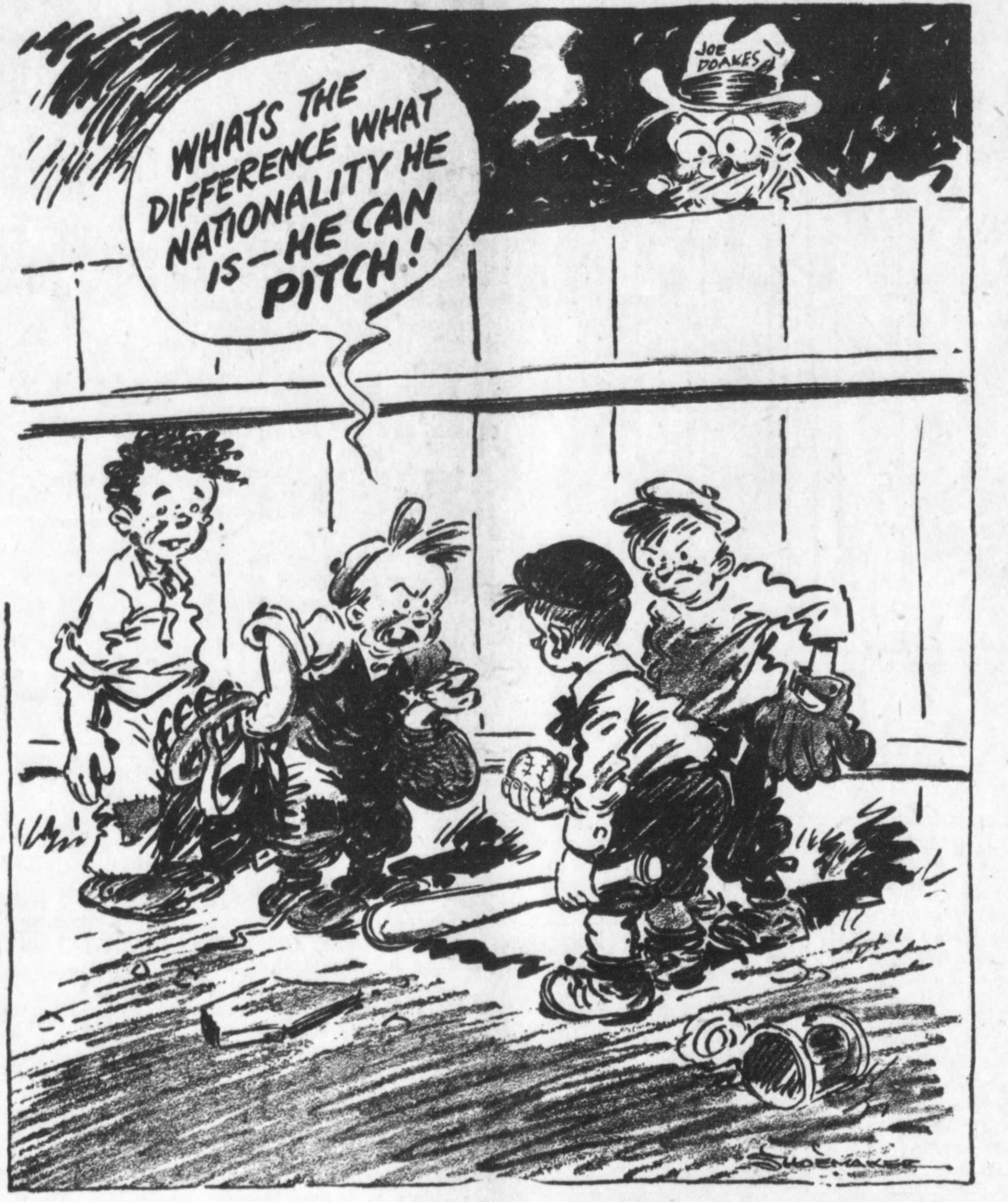
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It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

LABOR AND POLITICS

If ever the time comes when the newspapers, reactionaries, Republicans and Ladies' Aid Society accepts the principle that labor has a right to interest itself in politics, I promise that I'll take 30 days off for a trip to Florida to stay in Ad Thacher's hotel.

We have just completed a campaign in which the CIO and United Toledo Committee have weighed the Income-Payroll Tax ordinance and learned in a few days what ordinarily might have required years to find out.

And while I am about this little essay, I might add that the local newspapers took off their gloves and slugged along with the best of them. That in itself should be proof that it isn't because labor is doing wrong to take part in politics, but because it often does convince a lot of people that it is right in the things for which it stands.

But it is not to find fault with the newspapers that this stint is direced, but to say a few words to those who may feel persuaded that labor should deal exclusively with wages and working conditions and let all other matters rest.

Those who sometimes get the idea that the labor unions have no business in politics might look at the situation as it exists in this country today where increased wages are still lagging behind increased prices and where many industries, because of their competitive positions, or because they are merely trying to grind more profits at the expense of the workers, refuse to come up with more money for their workers.

PRICE AND WAGE CONTROL

One of the most important questions facing this country today is control of prices. Despite this fact, and it is a fact, we discover that little by little, day by day the boys who swing a lot of political weight in Washington are getting to the price ceilings and are lifting them higher and higher.

Now just how would you go about getting a raise in your prices if you were a business man? Would you write your congressman a letter, send a basket of fruit to Chester Bowles or go to Washington and put the pressure on directly?

Actually, you would use some political pressure. You would try and get several politicians who could get Mr. Bowles' ear, or the ear of somebody close to Mr. Bowles and pour into it your tale of woe. You might even take a couple of people out to dinner or present Congressman Joe Zilch with a new pipe, or a repeater rifle if he was a hunter, or a nice new billfold or something.

And just who elected Congressman Joe Zilch to office? Was it you, Mr. Businessman, or was it a lot of Johnny Overalls and clerks and other people who work for wages and salaries? It seems that there are more Johnny Overalls and clerks and white collar workers so it must have been their votes that sent Congressman Zilch to the nation's capital.

JOE WON'T LISTEN

So Joe Zilch, United States representative from the umteenth Anystate district, has a couple of alternatives. Either he can vote to sabotage and destroy price control when it comes before his legislative body, or vote to maintain controls.

If the Honorable Zilch votes to kill price control, he is mistreating the majority of the people on whose votes he rode into office and can be defeated by them the next time he comes up for election.

On the other hand if Zilch votes to maintain price control, he immediately becomes the target for the businessmen in his own district, and the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and other mutual admiration societies go into action against him.

Obviously, the poor fellow must take a position.

Now then, we have Joe up a tree either way, but the question which remains is—is it wrong for the workers (that's labor) to get into politics and support Congressman Zilch if he carries out their wishes and votes favorably to their economic interests and equally wrong if they attempt to defeat him should he vote against them?

That is about on a par with the question of what a person would do if they found someone stealing from them and had a gun in their hand. The only difference between what the workers do and what business does is that when the workers attempt to protect their economic front they are meddling in politics, whereas when the businessmen advance themselves in Washington it is "smart business."

Thus we come to the lesson where the Toledo newspapers join with the rest of the pack in crying that labor has no business to take part in politics in seeking to prevent additional taxes from being levied on the workers, at the same time, I would not be surprised if the newspapers themselves got into politics to try and save themselves from paying more taxes than they can possibly help.

So if labor goose steps politically, which it certainly does not, then that doesn't by any means mean that the newspapers are ganders. Or does it?

What's It Worth?

by Ruth Taylor

As we approach another Easter season, we are face to face with thei great problem of all ages—what is our Christianity worth? What has it done to improve our way of life? What have we done to express it in the terms—the only terms which we can use —of service to others?

To those of us to whom our religion is a vital force, Christianity speels obligation. It is not just a ritual. The ritual is merely the expression and the reminder of the principle back of it. The Christian way of life is the way of love, the way of brotherhood. A person has only as much Christianity as he has love, and no more, I read once, and it is true.

The soul knows no race or color. "Thou shalt love thy God with all thy heart" was the first great commandment, and Jesus added: "And the second is like unto it—Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." On God's side all men are brothers.

This is the basis of Christianity. We know it. We were taught it as children, no matter to which church we went, but too often we have kept it a Sunday-creed—not a rule of life. We did not apply it to our neighbor, to the stranger within our gates, to those who worshipped or thought or spoke in different manner than did we.

If we had ever tried Christianity as a way of life, there would be no poverty, no insecurity, no despondent and despairing people. Ours was the task, ours the responsibility if we wished to be classed as Christians.

In a recent speech the Christian position was humbly expressed: "We acknowledge that in the past we have tolerated much of which we ae now ashamed. We are resolved never again to lose that new sense of values which we have won through the war. We shall uphold these values at whatever cost, so that we may build a future in which they shall rule the lives of men."

What is your Christianity worth? Unless it is put to practical application in your daily life, it is not worth anything. We are a Christian nation and it is our task to live up to all that that implies. Only by practising brotherhood, as individuals and as a nation, can we make democracy succeed and bring to reign on earth the peace of the King of Kings.

Profit-swollen corporations are making unprecendentedly huge gifts to charities, educational institutions, etc. The idea, of course, is that such gifts are deductible from tax returns. We'd feel slightly better about the whole thing if we read about Charles E. Wilson giving $200,000 to the General Motors strike relief fund.

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OPA last week gave an industry-wide ceiling price increase to the manufacturers of soft mattresses. If that isn't "featherbedding" we've never heard of it.

Political Action

by

Clayton Rusch

Chairman of the Political Action Committee

COLORFUL?

There were two interesting items recently in the public press. These items dealt with two foes of progressive legislation. One was a full-page spread in the Toledo Sunday Times which actually represented the fascist-minded Representative Boykin of Alabama as "One of the Capitol's most colorful Congressmen."

Representative Boykin is the Democratic counterpart of Senator Taft.) It goes without saying that he is opposed to the FEPC, full employment and the UNRRA. That the Times knows his record is evident because his attitude is told in the story. Maybe this is an example of the Toledo Times' conception of a "Colorful Congressman."

Such representatives from the deep south give full justification to the drive recently inaugurated by the CIO to organize the south.

However, such newspaper writeups *can* do some good. They can show how necessary it is for the people to become active in politics and drive such "colorful" congressmen out of Congress.

SMALL FRY

The other writeup was in the Toledo Blade. It was about a small fry with big pretensions, Walter Baertschi.

During the depression when many family heads had to work WPA, this "people's candidate" recommended that plush seats be put on the shovels of WPA workers in order to find more ways of spending "public money." He was the local spearhead in opposing any and all sorts of taxes which were used to provide employment. There were a few misguided people who felt that Walter Baertschi represented, not the interests of the banks and real estate companies, but was the champion of the small home owner.

In all his diatribes supposedly in the interest of the small home owners, Mr. Baertschi never suggested that homes valued at $6000 or less in which the owners live should be tax exempt. Instead this stooge of the real estate companies and banks who poses as a friend of the small home owners, has always agitated for reduced taxes on *all* real estate.

CONSISTENT

Now Mr. Baertschi, who has consistently opposed levies for schools, hospitals and everything else to date, has come out in active support of the payroll tax. He says that he doesn't understand the CIO.

Maybe he doesn't, but the membership of CIO have no difficulty in understanding a small-time demogogue who opposes all taxes except those which place the bulk of the burden on the working people.

The time has come when it will be increasingly difficult for politicians of the type discussed in this column to fool people.

It is just as important to elect liberal people to public office as it is to secure good contracts with our employers

Legislation to assure world peace, and jobs for all will never be passed unless we elect the right kind of people to public office.

To succeed in this objective we must have active functioning ward and township clubs in PAC. This requires a large and active membership. Membership in PAC is only one dollar per year.

If you are not a member see the PAC representative at your local or shop, or come to the PAC office at 425 Winthrop St. and join now. Then become active in our crusade to obtain greater security for the people through passage of social legislation.

Editor's Mail

Stop-watch Slavery

It is my opinion that slavery has been re-established in the United States and is now a firmly entrenched flourishing institution.

My definition for slavery is —any method, system, scheme or device used to drive or induce folks to work beyond their natural gait.

It is also my opinion that any union leader, or any union editor who fails to denounce stop-watch slavery on every possible occasion is not a friend of the working people, but are interested in their own personal advancement.

Yours truly,
E. L. Stinchcomb,
2276 Auburn Ave.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser

Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

This is being written just before the April 11 special election, before I or anyone else has any way of knowing what the results of the vote will be.

It is my belief now as it has been from the very beginning of the dispute over the Income-Payroll Tax, that there is something wrong with the tax even though the one per cent may be a small amount.

I don't think it necessary for me to review all the things that have taken place or that have been said since the ordinance was first introduced into Council, but one thing I do say, is that all the people of Toledo must unite before this city can expect or hope to go anywhere.

We can never go anywhere as a city until we are able to get the various groups of this city together and convince the majority of them to agree on a plan of action. Nothing can be accomplished in the midst of bickering and controversy among ourselves.

Those who may have had some special reasons for their interest in the payroll tax and who have given it their moral, financial and physical support will eventually come to realize that their interest and that of labor are inseparably bound together. Nobody is going to advance at the expense of some other group. Either we go forward together, or we do not go forward.

THE LESSONS

I dn't propose to go into the lessons that we all should learn from the experience of the last three or four months, but I do realize that there are lessons to be gained from what has occured in our city since last January, and I feel that we should all profit from them.

We of CIO who have opposed the tax ordinance certainly have learned from our experience. We know that our part in the dispute was necessary in order to fulfill the obligation which we owe to our members who earn their living in the factories of Toledo.

We know that whether the tax wins or loses that we must all play our part in finding an answer to our municipal financial problems which will allow us to do our proportionate share, but no more than our share in solving our local situation.

I believe and hope that out of this struggle over the payroll tax will come new understanding and new respect for each other and that as a result we may all sit down together representing the various interests of this city and work out the problems with which we are faced. As spokesman for CIO, I can say that we stand ready now as we have before this argument to meet with all groups who share our concern for the welfare and progress of Toledo.

From The Desk

of

Melvin Schultz

President,

Local 12, UAW-CIO

ACTIVITIES

The coming spring and summer months will be covered by a very active recreational program sponsored by your Union. The outdoor season is one in which everyone should participate for their own physical and health betterment. To aid our members in developing more healthful and physically fit bodies, Local No. 12 has constantly attempted to enlarge its recreational program in an effort to give encouragement to all of its members in whatever recreational manner in which they desire to participate.

It is the desire of the Local Union that we sponsor softball leagues for both men and women, a regular baseball team in the City Federation, a golf league or several golf tournaments, a tennis league, horseshoe leagues, badminton and such other outdoor activities as a sufficient number of Local No. 12 members may express themselves as desiring.

The softball leagues and the baseball team to be entered into the City Federation are being formulated through our recreational director. Should anyone not having already heard of this program desire to participate, you need only to call MAin 9126 or to send a postcard into our office, giving us your name and address.

ORGANIZED SPORTS

A meeting will soon be called in an effort to organize a golf league which will carry a considerable number of valuable prizes to the winner, as well as, a party for all participants at the end of the season.

The other activities which I have mentioned herein have also been suggested and anyone desiring to help initiate these programs should let us know immediately.

I realize that in each program, it requires someone to act as the leader in order to coordinate the program along with our recreational director. Anyone having the time and desiring to put in their efforts in such a manner should let me know by postcard or phone call and I will be more than willing to meet with you and discuss the season's program.

In order to assure a competitive spirit in the contest of these various recreational activities, I would like to urge each Shop Chairman to get with his committee to take this up at their regular Unit meeting with the thought in mind of sponsoring teams in such activities as you may find your membership desiring to participate.

All suggestions for these or any other proposed activities will be greatfully appreciated. These may include playing rules, prize suggestions, etc.

The greater amount of activity which can be developed, the greater amount of benefit will be forthcoming.

A Visit To Atlantic City's Wonders

This City Is Open For Suckers

By Burny Zawodny

MEMORIES OF ATLANTIC CITY . . .

This city does everything in a terrific way, leaving the visitor with only his empty purse. We've become accustomed to that, but we were not quite prepared for what we saw that Atlantic City calls floor shows.

The physical layout and atmosphere of the Club Nomad, one of the exclusive nite spots (had for the delegates of UAW-CIO and other visitors entertainment) it was a fair evening of fun.

Burny Zawodny

We didn't meet "The Ink Spots" or any other colored entertainers, but we did meet "Three Links and Wink," a colorful entertaining group, playing bass violin, electrical guitar, piano, and a cute colored girl playing a tom-tom. Seems they were more accessible to the visitors than the UAW-CIO conventioners singing "Reuther for President" and "Gosser for Vice President." Dan Haywood, the head of the group, was dressed in classy evening clothes, chatted with us in a genial manner about his future thoughts to entertaining in Toledo nite spots. (A hint for KaSee's and Miami Inn.)

You'll enjoy the good food at Kent's Restaurant and the high prices that empty your purse before you can say Jack Robinson. (I am wondering if the OPA ever visited Atlantic City.)

For an enjoyable evening not costing too high, theatres were a sure bet. At the Apollo Theatre, Boardwalk and New York Ave., "Sentimental Journey" was enjoyed by yours truly, starring John Payne and William Bendix. Other cinemas that have been enjoyed are "Tangier" with Maria Montez, Sabu and Robert Paige at the Hollywood Theatre and "Saratoga Trunk" with Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman at Warner Theatre.

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PAGING THE NLRB!

Frank Faylen, an honorary life member of the Taxicab Drivers Union, will NOT play the important role of a taxi driver in Paramount's "Welcome Stranger."

Despite the fact Faylen has been a hack-driver in 15 motion pictures during his career and probably because he obtained too much first-hand information about dipsomaniacs in "The Lost Weekend" as Bim, the male nurse in a hospital alcoholic ward, Faylen has been selected to portray the more-important role as a drunken small-town newspaper editor in "Welcome Stranger."

Starring Bing Cosby, Barry Fitzgerald and Joan Caulfield, "Welcome Stranger" is now before the cameras.

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Ka-See's Nite Club brings you a new singing entertainer who is being groomed for stardom by the owner of the Bowery Nite Club in Detroit, Mich. This young lady's name is Barbara Smith, a 1945 beauty winner of Detroit.

Nina Mae McKinney Returns To Movies

HOLLYWOOD—Nina Lee McKinney returns to the screen in a featured role in Paramount's "Danger Street," Pine-Thomas production with Jane Withers and Robert Lowery starred.

Star of King Vidor's 1930 success, "Hallelujah," the colored actress was a hit of America and Europe. She went overseas four times to star in English pictures and appeared in theatres and leading nightclub there. In 1933 she gave a command performance for King George V, and toured Europe and Australia.

Sentiment Pays Off For Cecil B. DeMille

HOLLYWOOD — Cecil B. DeMille did not think the horse would come in.

Anyway, it was just a sentimental bet. So he asked a friend who was going out to the races to put twenty dollars on the nose of Mason Dixon in a recent race at Santa Anita.

Mason Dixon caught DeMille's eye because the producer has just launched his next big movie, a frontier story called "Unconquered," and because there are two characters in the movie, Messrs. Mason and Dixon, the famous English twain who marked off the famous Mason-Dixon line back in the 1760's.

Sentiment pays off. So did Mason Dixon — to the tune of $89.00.

Zoot Suit Kid

The zoot suit is fast becoming an American household word. This young man is David Holewinski, age 3, modeling this year's fashion for children.

Veteran Of 90 'Jumps' Joins Cast Of 'O.S.S.'

HOLLYWOOD—Major Robert M. Cordell, young hero of the Parachute Troops division of the Office of Strategic Services and veteran of 90 "jumps," will make his film debut in Paramount's "O. S. S." starring Alan Ladd and Geraldine Fitzgerald.

Ten days after his release from the service, he visited the studio to see his old friend, Comdr. John M. Shaheen, technical advisor on the film. Lt. Col. Richard Maibaum, writer-producer of the super-spy drama, saw him, immediately arranged for a quick test and promptly signed him to a contract.

Stout Neighborhood

Barry Fitzgerald was born in Clontarf, a Dublin suburb, which was situated, he says, "just five miles from the famous Guiness Stout factory." On a good windy day, he recalls, with nostalgia, the aroma filled his home from cellar to attic. "What wonderful memories my nose has," he explains.

Hollywood Has Surplus Of Red Skeltons

HOLLYWOOD—Stranger than a movie script is the story of the discovery of another Red Skelton!

He is a roly-poly comedian, whose name is actually Red Skelton and whose life and career are amazing parallels of the original's. The fact that there are two Skeltons was uncovered when Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer signed up Red No. 2 for a role in "My Brother Who Talked to Horses."

The second Skelton, like the first, ran away to join a circus at an early age. He was a clown, turned to burlesque, played the river boats and finally became a vaudeville headliner. Like Skelton No. 1, he was recently discharged from the Army—and he was a private, too!

When Skelton No. 1 met Skelton No. 2 he remarked: "Do you think they can stand two of us around here!"

Actress Advises War Brides To Be Selves

HOLLYWOOD — G. I. war brides are getting a bum steer and a lot of useless advice if present press dispatches are any indication, says Paulette Goddard, the film star.

Under a Paris dateline, newspapers reported American stylists as advising America-bound brides to keep their skirts well moored while riding bicycles in the U. S. A., to wear simple navy blue frocks with white lace trim when meeting their mothers-in-law, and not to chew gum except in the darkness of movie theatres.

It's nonsense, says Paulette.

"How many war brides will be bicycling to the homes of their mothers-in-law, their navy blue frocks blowing in the breeze, and chewing gum?" demands Miss Goddard.

"Besides," she adds, "where can you get chewing gum "

Miss G. is something of a war bride herself (although not an importation, having married Capt. Burgess Meredith of the Army Air Forces on May 21, 1944. And in her new Paramount picture, "Suddenly It's Spring," she plays a WAC matrimonial expert known as "Captain Lonelyhearts," who escorts a group of French war brides to this country.

"Be yourself," is Paulette's advice to G.I. war brides. "America isn't called the melting pot for nothing. Don't try to adjust yourself to us—Americans will adjust themselves to you.

VETERAN SCREEN PROP

The weather beaten, horse drawn trolley that attracted so much attention in "Meet Me in St. Louis" is due to appear on the screen again.

Workmen are hard at work renovating the antique tram for scenes in M-G-M's "My Brother Who Talks To Horses."

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

JOEL McCREA AND BARBARA HUTTON provide a romantic interlude in the exciting and colorful Paramount super-Western, "The Virginian," now showing at the Paramount Theatre. The Technicolor picturization of Owen Wister's great novel also stars Brian Donlevy and Sonny Tufts, and features Fay Bainter and Henry O'Neill, among others. Film was directed by Stuart Gilmore.

Nursery For Star's Daughter

HOLLYWOOD — Filmland's most foresighted parents have turned out to be Judy Garland and Vincente Minnelli. Not only does their two-week-old daughter, Liza, have a nursery, but a complete suite of rooms designed to grow with the youngster.

What is now the nursery will, at a later date, become a sitting room, complete with fireplace and patio. The current nurse's quarters will later be converted into Liza's bedroom, with adjoining bath.

Special feature of the suite is a compact kitchenette opening off the sitting room. This is equipped completely with new postwar conveniences including an electric grill, ice box, dishwasher and small washing machine.

Star's PJ's Sharp

Clever lounging pajamas with an oriental savor are worn by Lucille Ball for evenings at home. Very narrow trousers, they are made of striped silver and lime green chiffon. The negligee-like coat of lime green crepe is fastened to one side with gold braid and falls in a cascade to the floor, to reveal the interesting trousers.

Milland's Fan Mail Soars With 'Weekend'

HOLLYWOOD—Ray Milland's fan mail has more than doubled since the recent release of Paramount's "The Lost Weekend," jumping to 9,000 during the last month, or an average of more than 2000 a week, according to a studio checkup. This is probably a Hollywood record and indicative that the star is now at the peak of popularity.

The letters represent a cross-section of this country and England where 50 per cent of them come from. "The Lost Weekend" was pre-released in London before the American showings.

Taxicabbies Vote Starlet 'Mmm Girl'

HOLLYWOOD—Marilyn Maxwell's initials, M. M. M., for Marilyn Marvel Maxwell, have won her Hollywood's most unique title.

The Boston Cab Drivers' Union, members of which frequently chauffered the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actress when she made a theater appearance in that city, notified Marilyn, on the set of "The Show-Off," that they had elected her their "Mmm-Girl!"

Animal Actor Hunt Filmland's New Headache

HOLLYWOOD (Special)—Finding animal actors for certain roles is coming to be as common a problem in Hollywood as casting human actors. With their usual efficiency, the studios have discovered ways and means of locating the right animal for any role.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer hit the jackpot with the discovery of Lassie, probably the most notable achievement in the search for four-footed talent. Lassie, originally a runt discard, was discovered after Prducer Samuel Marx had combed the country, looking for a dog to play the part.

Hunt Turns To Hosses

Recently, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer launched another nationwide hunt for an educated horse to play in "Star From Heaven." After weeks of unsuccessful seeking, Joe Atkinson, a trainer, appeared at the studio gate, with a horse. The animal with him was Silvernip—America's top educated trick horse who became star of the picture.

When M-G-M began casting "My Brother Who Talked To Horses," they were faced with their most difficult animal casting problem. Silvernip wouldn't do, since he is not a bona fide race horse. The search was on again.

The horse had to be a racer, capable of breezing a mile-and-sixteenth in fair time. He had to be dark brown or black, with a sharply defined white blaze on his forehead, good-natured with children and amenable to orders. He had to be at least eight years old and, most important of all, able to act!

Veteran Racer Picked

With these seemingly impossible requirements in mind, an equine talent scout set out. Finally, while watching the races at Tijuana, Mexico, the scout found the horse he wanted. He is "The Bart", an eight-year-old claiming plater, whose tired legs have pounded nearly every race track in the United States and Mexico. Aging rapidly, he had been relegated to claiming races at small tracks and county fairs.

The Bart, just a few weeks ago ready to be retired to pasture is now on his way to becoming a star.

Brian Donlevy Is The Heavy In Paramount's 'Virginian'

Brian Donlevy's role of "Trampas" in Paramount Technicolor production of "The Virginian," now at the Paramount Theatre, marks his return to the screen "heavy" he does so convincingly, and which brought about his rise to prominence and stardom.

When he first arrived in Hollywood to work in the screen version of a play in which he had appeared on Broadway, Donlevy was staying by because of unexpected production delays. Another director saw him and inducted him into the cast of "Barbary Coast" as the black-shirted killer. He did a terrific job, and, as he was to do so often in later pictures, stole the show.

Given the same sort of role in "Mary Burns, Fugitive," he scored a second time, and convinced the skeptics that his earlier success was no flash-in-the-pan. His artistry in the field of mayhem established him as a master villain, which led to a long series of "menace" roles. He had, like many another film player, become typed. However, after murdering more than his quota of screen brethren, he won stardom as a hero in the title role of "The Great McGinty." Here, too, he came through with a brilliant performance in a part entirely different from anything he had done before.

Donlevy then garnered a succession of important and varied roles, giving excellent proof of his versatility by outstanding acting in every type of characterization. But, it wasn't too long before his trigger finger began to itch nervously, and the boring routine of living within the law—on the screen—began to pall on him. So, when he learned of Paramount's decision to film Owen Wister's great Western novel, "The Virginian," he dug out his old, black cowboy outfit, put on his most menacing sneer, and two-gunned his way into producer Paul Jones' office, demanding, and getting, the part of the outlaw, "Trampas."

Consequently, Donlevy's excellent performance in the picture isn't too difficult to understand; not only is he a great actor in any role but he is back to his first love — the menace — and loving it. So do his fans!

In 'Welcome Stranger'

HOLLYWOOD — Joan Caulfield will co-star with Bing Crosby and Bary Fitzgerald in "Welcome Stranger," Paramount recently setting her in her fourth starring assignment in as many pictures.

Miss Caulfield has just returned from New York where her visit was a personal triumph, the critics hailing her as Hollywood's newest star as the result of her performance in "Miss Susie Slagle's," her first film.

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LONGEST WINNING STREAK

The 1916 New York Giants Awon 26 straight ball games—and failed to win the National League pennant!

Kenny Aldrich Wins In Local 12 Fights

From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule

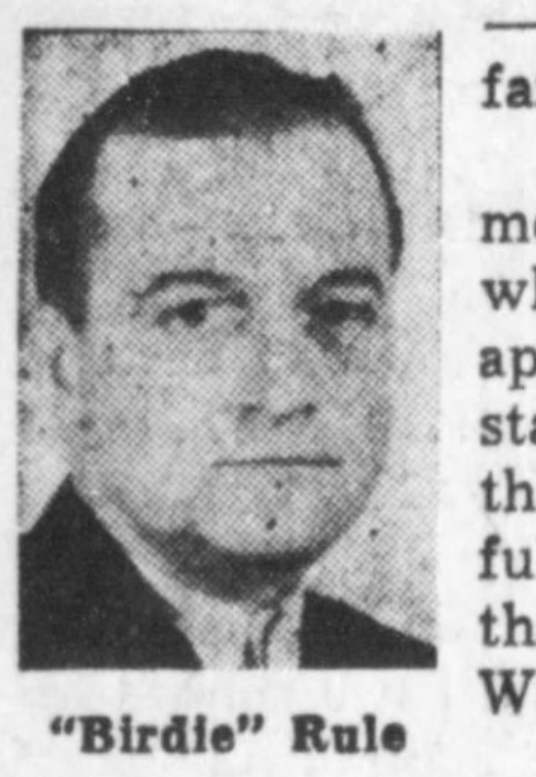
Director of Education and Recreation

Sports Editor

Opening day! A great thrill for hundreds of ball players who will take their fling in the 1946 major league campaign.

Opening day is the thrill of a lifetime for rookies with stardust in their eyes, and for faded veterans with hope in their hearts.

Opening day is everything to all big league ball players—for opening day is the gateway to baseball fame and immortality.



"Birdie" Rule

Many baseball years ago opening day meant a million things to one young player who on that day made his first major league appearance as a frightened youngster just starting on a hopeful career. For many years thereafter he enjoyed one of the most beautiful of all major league successes. He was the bandy-legged Dutchman—John Honus Wagner.

Another great big league career began on openinug day in 1907. On that day, a youngster walked slowly to take his position in the outfield—another ambitious rookie with hope in his heart. That walk was the beginning of a major league career that filled the annals of baseball history with record after record set by the greatest outfielder in baseball. That walk began the career of the immortal Tristram Speaker.

Those are just two baseball immortals whose big league careers began on opening day.

Who knows but what some unknown, obscure rookie, frightened and wide-eyed with the thrills of opening day this year may go on to become another Wagner or Speaker and take his place in baseball's Hall of Fame?

But there's one ball player who was never to know the thrill of opening day. He wasn't big league timber. In fact, he wasn't even good enough to play on his high school team.

Though he could not play well enough to make the team, he was not going to strike out in the game he loved best. He took the less interesting, less thrilling, job of manager. Just a frustrated player—nursing a big league dream far from the roar of big league crowds.

Years later, he saw with his own eyes what every American youngster dreams of—Opening Day in the major leagues. He became a ball player in his own humble but happy way.

His name became known the nation over. In every big league ball park, in every sandlot, wherever baseball was played, his name was echoed by every player and fan. Thousands of fans turned out on opening day to see him pitch.

He became the most respected and most beloved man ever to pitch a ball on opening day. He was second to the great Walter Johnson of having pitched eleven opening day pitches. He was part and parcel of the game of baseball.

You'll never find his name written on a score card—you'll never see his name in the line-up. He never established any pitching records. Yet he had the honor of pitching the first ball on more opening day ball games than any other man except Walter Johnson.

That player was America's greatest American—Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

It is impossible to travel six miles in any direction in Michigan without coming to a body of water.

Archery Tournament

LANSING, April 12—Archers from all sections of the United States are expected to compete during a tournament staged by the National Field Archery Association in the Allegan state forest August 10-12.

Conservation department forestry and game divisions will cooperate in preparing tournament drilling wells, and providing sanitary facilities, and will supply headquarters tents and baled straw for target butts.

Five hundred archers from all sections of the country may compete in the various events.

Spring Football Practice Begins For Large Squad

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 12—With 150 candidates in uniform, Ohio State University's spring football practice got under way Monday. Heading the 1945 lettermen was Captin-elect Warren Amling, all-American guard, who likely will be seen at tackle next fall. Nearly a score of 1945 lettermen were in the field, but many are expected to give up their places to returned GI's who comprise more than three-fourths of the hopefuls.

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3. P-KB4	3. PxP
4. KKt-B3	4. P-Q5
5. P-Q4	5. P-KKt4
6. B-B4	6. B-Kt2
7. P-KR4	7. P-KR3
8. PxP	8. PxP
9. RxR	9. BxR
10. K-B2	10. Kt-R3
11. Q-R1	11. B-Kt2
12. Kt-K2	12. B-Kt5
13. P-B3	13. Q-K2
14. B-Q2	14. Castles
15. B-Q3	15. R-R1
16. Q-Q	16. P-B4
17. PxP	17. BxBP
18. BxB	18. KtxB
19. P-QKt4	19. Kt-K6
20. Q-R4	20. Kt-Kt5ch
21. K-B1	22. Q-K5
22. QKt-Kt1	23. P-R3
23. Q-Kt5	24. P-Q4
24. Q-B4	25. Kt-R7ch
25. Q-K2	26. P-Kt5
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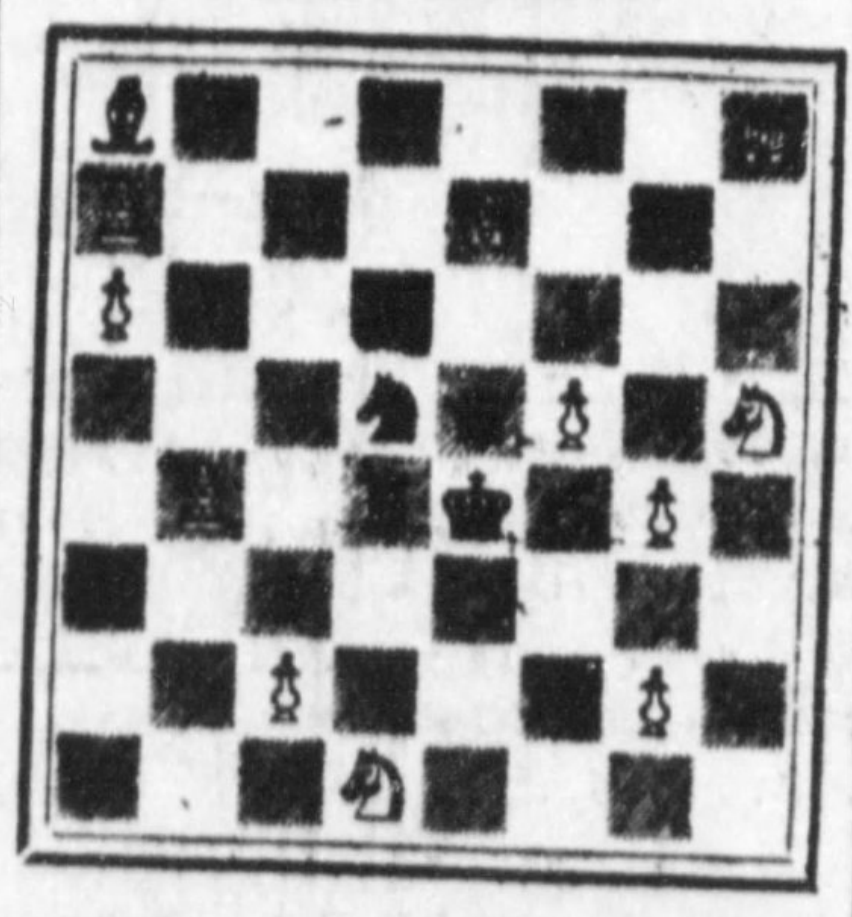

Softball Players To Hold Meeting

There will be a meeting of Local 12 softball players in Parlor "B", 425 Winthrop St., on Monday at 7:30 p. m.

Nine plants were represented at the first meeting, held last week, and it is planned to have a 12-team Local 12 Softball League for 1946.

The teams will play twilight ball on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

All Local 12 members who are interested in softball, are asked to attend this meeting.

Awards To Be Presented

Individual gold pins will be awarded to the members of the teams which won the championships of the American, National, International, and Ladies' Divisions of the Local 12 Bowling League, it was announced today by Ed Mandy, manager of the leagut.

Opening Game Tickets On Sale

Tickets for the Toledo Mud Hens opening game, on the night of April 23, are now available to Local 12 members.

There are some choice seats left and the ducats may be purchased from Birdie Rule, Director of Education and Recreation, Local 12, UAW-CIO.

They are going fast—so hurry and get yours.

Shanty Owners Face Arrest

LANSING, April 12—Owners of fish shanties cannot abandon their property when the ice melts without risking arrest.

Strict enforcement of a law which requires owners to remove shanties from lakes or streams has been ordered by H. R. Sayre, chief of the conservation department's field administration division.

Owners have 30 days after ice melts in which to haul their shanties onto dry land, failing which the department will do the job and assess costs against owners.

Also, owner who fail to remove shanties before the deadline face fines and jail terms.

Spring Football Workouts

ANN ARBOR, Mich. April 10—The task of developing the 1946 University of Michigan varsity football squad from the largest group of candidates ever to turn out at the Wolverine institution got under way this week with 126 men reporting for the opening session.

Coach H. O. (Fritz) Crisler and his aides, including Jack Blott, line coach; Bennie Oosterbaan, ends, and Assistants Arthur Valpey, Wallie Weber, Cliff Keen and Forrest (Butch) Jordan, will meet with the squad six days a week through Saturday, May 18, according to present plans.

Coach Lowell Wrigley's Ohio State University baseball squad, which has been practicing daily for several weeks, will launch the 1945 campaign April 13 against Ohio University at Athens.

Winners in American Division

Pictured above are the members of the Toledo Scale bowling team who took the honors in the American Division of the Local 12 Bowling League. It was their first year in Local 12 competition and the Scale keglers came through with flying colors. From left to right, the team members are Herman Mueck, Jack Smiczek, Ernie Rutkowski, Herb Hoffman, and W. C. Hesselburt.

Local 12 Bowling

By Ed Mandy

The Local 12 Headpin crown went into a three way tie in the Men's Division with Ralph Holey and Bob Ressler, both of DeVilbiss, tieing with Walt Bishop of Willys Overland, with scores of 108.

"d Mandy

Arrangements are now in the making for a roll-off on neutral lanes to decide the Local 12 Championship.

The ladies Headpin title was wrapped up by dependable Vic Truna with her 96 score. The officers of Local 12 Ladies' Bowling wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all bowlerettes for their splendid cooperation given them throughout the season. They are looking forward to a better and more successful season next year.

STANDINGS

National Division

Prizes		W	L
$230.00	De Vilbiss	73	17
205.00	Standard Commutator	58	32
180.00	Willys-Overland	56	34
155.00	Ransom & Randolph	51	39
145.00	Hall No. 1	43	47
140.00	Willys No. 3	38	52
135.00	Hall No. 2	26	14
130.00	Gordon Bumpes	15	75

High 3 Game Team Total

De Vilbiss	2813	$10.00
Ransom & Randolph	2618	5.00

High 1 Game Team Total

De Vilbiss	1017	$10.00
Standard Commutator	935	5.00

High 3 Game Individual

(Stand. Comm)) Geo. Geis	621	4.00
(DeVilbiss) Ralph Holey	621	4.00

High 1 Game Individual

(DeVilbiss) Paul Loehrke	256	5.00
(Hall Mfg. 1) G. Shinaberry	244	3.00

Individual High Average

1.	Ralph Holey	7.00	175
2.	Pete Peth	6.00	171.1
3.	Herb Vogel	5.00	171
4.	Bob Ressler	4.00	170
5.	Joe Zbierajewski	3.00	169.5
6.	Tony Kosnikowski	2.00	169.2
7.	Bill Walters	1.00	169

STANDINGS

American Division

Prizes		W	L
$230	Toledo Scale	66	24
205.00	Willys No. 1	51	39
180.00	DeVilbiss	48	42
155.00	Willys No. 2	46	44
145.00	Standard Commutator	43	47
140.00	National Supply	39	51
135.00	P. A. C.	34	56
130.00	Auto-Lite	33	57

High 3 Game Team Total

Toledo Scale	2854	10.00
Willys No. 1	2826	5.00

High 1 Game Team Total

DeVilbiss	1026	10.00
National Supply Squadron	1013	2.50
Willys No. 2	1013	2.50

High 3 Game Individual

(W.-O. No. 2) Dan Zielinski	665	5.00
(N. S. Squad) Don Gavin	661	3.00

High 1 Game Individual

(Tol. Scale) W. Sesselbart	269	5.00
(P. A. C.) Harvey Sterling	265	3.00

Individual High Average

1.	Warren Hesselbart	7.00	185.6
2.	Cap Wekwert	6.00	183.3
3.	Herman Mueck	5.00	183.1
4.	Dan Zielinski	4.00	182.2
5.	Hank Laurich	3.00	182
6.	Frank Cherry	2.00	181
7.	Phil Muszynski	1.00	180.9

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Local 12 Baseball Candidates To Practice

Coincidental with the announcement that there will be a Local 12 Softball League for 1946, it is a fact that a first-class baseball team will be sponsored and entered in the city federation.

Paul Beamer, who just returned from the armed forces, will manage the team for the coming season. He announces that the first practice for candidates will be held Sunday, April 14. The exact time and place will be announced in the daily papers.

Mizzie Brothers Victors; Tito Clarey Annexes 10th

Glove tossing as only ambitious youngsters can exhibit was very much in evidence in Civic auditorium last Tuesday as Local 12 resumed its mitt program, suspended during the Atlantic City convention. The offering comprised 10 bouts.

Kenny Aldrich, representing Local 12, and Bud Scheckles of the Veterans' A. C. took over the headliner chores when Art Rae, Local 12 middleweight ace, and Floyd Napierla of the Veterans' group failed to match up in weight. Aldrich proved worthy of his main bout responsibility by giving the fans a full show of aggressiveness to decision Scheckles in the three-round try.

Although Aldrich was knocked down in the second round, he revived to capitalize on an initial round edge to floor Scheckles twice in the third and had his opponent so groggy that only the bell saved Scheckles from a blackout.

A surprising ending to another three-rounder was supplied by Joe Mizzi of Highland Park Boys' Club, Detroit, as he completely be-fogged Richard McConnel, Veterans' A. C., to win handily on points. McConnell was master in the first round and looked like a cinch winner but Mizzi ran him to distraction later and might have scored a kayo had he possessed a good uppercut.

Sammy Ross of Local 12's gym force absorbed a trimming from John Wozniak, Y. M. C. A., in three rounds. Ross started out with some forceful pokes to Wozniak's face but was solidly reversed later to wind up with statis in the noggin. Sammy pleased the crowd with his aggressiveness.

Jack Collins, Local 12, decisioned Martin Gilday, Detroit, in an active affair going Collins' way throughout. Collins exhibited a perky left which was a point-getter to overtake Gilday's tendency to hit with palms.

The two Diffenderfer boys from Detroit's Annunciation A. C. fared well and bad. Ralph Diffenderfer had a chore at hand in winning his sixth straight bout as Jerry Weidinger, former Indiana Golden Glove 118-pound champion, retaliated with some hefty wallops to Ralph's body and face. The judges decided Ralph had the better of boxing technique to warrant the decision.

Bob Diffenderfer lost to Tito Clarey in a 90-pound atom melee which provided Clarey his tenth win in a row. Tito reflected good coaching by continually filtering good facial jabs into Bobby and the Local 12 starmite was a handy winner.

George Lucas, Detroit, won his first ring setto by measuring off a decision over Morey Berry, Toledo's Murphy A. C. For a newcomer to the fight game Lucas was a cool mixer and easily befuddled Berry, especially in the third round with heavy going against the ropes.

Bob Abbey, Murphy A. C. lad, defeated Detroit's Howie Meath by taking the tag pair of three rounds. Abbey was a bit behind in opening aggressiveness but made up for it later with telling punches all over Meath.

Ray Mizzi, brother of Joe, shaded fellow-Detroiter Bill Dowie in a slow scrap. Ray was too light at 130 pounds to inflict much punishment and prevaled on more polished form.

The card's opener delighted fans as Local 12's two midget "mascot" appendages, Jimmy Kries and Dick Stemple, 65 pounds each, slugged away to a three-round draw. Jimmy could easily be tagged as a "comer" if he elects to capitalize on a natural style and Dick in his own right is a confident little puncher.

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